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Arguments on the Navigation Interests.

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Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

WASHINGTON, March 23.—Mr. LYNCH'S Special Committee on navigation interests is having its hands full in listening to the arguments and propositions from the various interests and classes whose employment, capital and business pertains to navigation, commerce and ship-building. Today a Committee representing the coasting interest, consisting of Jas. A. VAN BRUNT, L. M. HOFKINS, Jos. FALKENBURGH, W. H. KIMBAL and NEWSON EDWARDS, of New-York, together with another Committee of twelve from New-Jersey and Pennsylvania, represented by R. B. BOSWELL, of Philadelphia, were heard on the subject of modification and amendment of the shipping laws and in favor of the abrogation of the oppressive and unequal regulations of the States. The New-York Committee submitted a memorial in which they ask for the enactment of the following provisions:

"That any citizen of the United States having the control of an American vessel shall have the right to pilot the same in and out of any of the waters of the United States, or of the United States, but in case the services of a licensed pilot shall have been accepted then the same to be paid for as is or shall be established by the laws of the several states, or by the United States or by mutual contract."

They further represent that a few years since the pilotage system was almost free, but that it is now the reverse. In all parts, save those in the District of Columbia, the fee system is now enforced by State laws. This has encouraged the growth of a close monopoly by which the service has deteriorated. A much smaller number could do the work at New-York, where the rates are higher than in any port in the United States. In the coasting and West India trade there are now two millions tonnage employed, and the amount annually exacted is two dollars per ton on all vessels over 150 tons, or about one-eighth of the earnings of said tonnage. The memorial states that the coasting interest only asks to be protected against compulsory payment for services not needed or accepted, and against the continually encroaching legislation of the several States, to the detriment of commerce. A delegation representing the whaling interests of New-Bedford was also heard in favor of a repeal of that provision of the Shipping laws which requires the payment of three months advance wages to every sailor discharged in a foreign port. They represent that this provision is now working greatly to the injury of the shipping interest in consequence of the abuses to which the law is subjected, and they see no good reason for its longer enforcement.

THE SUTRO TUNNEL.

The project of the Bank of California, which controls a number of the principal mines on the Comstock lode of Nevada, to kill the Sutro Tunnel project by asking a repeal of that section of the Tunnel act which grants a royalty of $2 per ton on all ores taken from that lode after the completion of the tunnel, met with an emphatic repudiation at the hands of the House today. The Committee on Mines and Mining had reported against the bill, and notwithstanding the earnest efforts of the California members, aided by Senator SEWARD, who came over from the Senate to help them, the House by a large majority sustained the Committee by laying the bill on the table, thus defeating the bank and sustaining the tunnel.

THE SAN DOMINGO TREATY.

The Senate did not take up the San Domingo treaty today, notwithstanding it was the special order, in consequence of the debate on the case of Gen. AMES, but postponed it until to-morrow. The regular steamer from San Domingo arrived in New-York this morning, bringing a bearer of dispatches, who will arrive here to-morrow morning, with further details of the election in the island. Among the passengers by the steamer is Mr. HARTMONT, who went out on the last trip for the purpose of making a tender to BARZ of $120,000 sterling on the loan negotiated through him, with LAWSON & Co., of London. He reports the positive refusal of BARZ to accept this money, because of his obligations to this Government, pending the treaty of annexation, which fully confirms the statement made in these dispatches last night.

THE PRESIDENT AND THE SENATE.

To silence all criticism, about the propriety of the President consulting Senators personally upon executive business at the Senate, it is only necessary to invite the attention of Senators to their own rules. Here is part of the thirty-seventh rule of the Senate, in force since 1789?

"When the President of the United States shall meet the Senate in the Senate Chamber, for the consideration of executive business, the presiding officer of the Senate shall have a chair on the floor, be considered as the leader of the Senate, and his chair shall be placed on the left hand of the President of the United States."

This certainly contemplates that the President shall consult with the Senate personally on executive business, as Gen. WASHINGTON did.

UTAH POLYGAMY.

The anti-Polygamy bill passed the House today shorn of its harsh and objectionable features. The debate developed the fact that several sections were unnecessarily oppressive, and they were stricken out. These were the eleventh section, requiring the first lawful wife to testify to the second or subsequent marriages of her husband; the fourteenth section, which suspended the statute of limitations in prosecutions under this law; the thirteenth section, which provided for the virtual confiscation of the polygamist's property, and its distribution among his wives and children; the thirty-first section, which appropriated $100,000 for the relief of those made destitute by the operation of this bill, and the thirty-second section, which provided for the enforcement of the bill with the aid of the troops. The jury section was also amended so as to relieve it from objection, and in this amended form it passed without a division, its original opponents, including Mr. FITCH, voting for it.

MR. BLACK AND QUICKSILVER CASES.

Ex-Attorney-General BLACK appeared before the House Judiciary Committee today, and was permitted to read a statement designed to answer the charges made against him by McGARRAHAN's counsel, impugning him in official malfeasance respecting the California quicksilver cases. He will be cross-examined on Friday next by McGARRAHAN's counsel on his statement and concerning his action as Attorney-General and special counsel of the United States in the California land cases arising under the treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo.

GEN. AMES' CASE.

The case of Gen. AMES, contrary to all expectation, was not decided by the Senate today. A large number of speeches were made on the subject, and probably there are many witnesses of the slide yet in store for the country on the subject. An effort was made to obtain a vote at 4 o'clock, but it failed by four or five votes, on a call of the roll. The strongest speech against was that of Mr. MORTON, against the report of the Judiciary Committee, and in favor of the admission of Mr. AMES.

A PEACEFUL INDIAN POLICY.

A meeting in sympathy with a peace policy towards the Indians will be held in New-York on Friday evening next, the 25th inst., at the Cooper Institute, Astor-place, corner Fifth-avenue and Sutherland-place. The Cherokee delegation now in this city are expected to attend, and it is understood that principal Chief DOWNING, Col. ADAIR, Col. VANN and others, will go and explain the state of his and social and political system of the Cherokee nation. These delegates are very intelligent men, but few of them can speak English with fluency. Chief Downing, who is regarded as a very eloquent speaker in the Cherokee tongue, and is a preacher at home, is not well versed in the English language, so that those who go to hear him will probably have the novel sensation of listening to an Indian orator in his native tongue.

BOLIVIAN NAVIGATION.

There is now pending before the House, it having already passed the Senate, a bill incorporating several gentlemen in New-York and New-England, who are prominent in commercial circles, for the purpose of running steam-ship lines on Brazilian waters. It appears that these gentlemen have obtained a contract with the Brazilian Government allowing them these privileges, provided they obtain a charter from the Federal Government. The Company calls itself the "National Bolivian Steam Navigation Company." They ask no money grant or subsidy from Congress, and urge, in furtherance of the passage of their bill, that very important advantages will accrue to the United States from the concession. It appears that English merchants have, for the most part, control of whatever trade is done in that section, and that should Americans obtain a foothold there, it will naturally be turned toward the United States. The only objection to be made to the bill is that a charter can be as easily obtained from any one of the States as from the General Government, and that that is the usual course in such cases. But it appears that the Brazilian Government in this instance is unwilling to accept a State charter, and will not do business with the Company unless it shall have obtained an act of incorporation from a recognized nationality. It is the intention of these gentlemen to apply to England for a charter, in case they are denied one here. The subject will be taken up in the appropriate Committee of the House to-morrow.

A PERSONAL MATTER.

A caucus of the Republican members of the Senate caused quite a flurry at the Capitol this morning, and the anxiety to know what it was about was very much intensified when Senators, in reply to questions asked them, evasively replied that it was of very little importance and was not in reference to any political question whatever. It soon leaked out that the meeting was called at the instigation of Senator COLE and some other Senators, who did not entertain the most friendly feelings in the world to the present Secretary of the Senate, Mr. GORHAM. The California delegation in Congress is split up into at least two unfriendly factions. It appears that Mr. GORHAM has taken a more active part in the personal controversies than Senator COLE and his friends exactly liked. At the meeting this morning the Senator alluded to as understood to have made a long exposé of his troubles and his grievances against Mr. GORHAM, who, he charged, took every opportunity to malign and villify him. He demanded of his brother Senators to be protected from the attacks of one of their officers and subordinates. On questions of this character Senators are the most friendly gentlemen in the world, and never hesitate to band together for mutual protection and support. Mr. GORHAM's friends, although numerous, were unable to stave off a Committee of Investigation, on which Messrs. HOWARD, RAMSEY and HOWE were appointed. There does not appear to be much probability that Mr. GORHAM will be displaced. Special complaint, also, is made against Mr. GORHAM that all the Pacific slope delegation supported him for his present position, after his defeat as Governor of California, on the condition that he would consent to make a perpetual treaty, offensive and defensive, which, it is now said, he has violated.

NAVAL RANK.

The question of rank between the line and staff in the navy still agitates that branch of the Government, and bores the House Naval Committee. From present indications it looks as though there would be no satisfactory solution of it at the present session of Congress. It is sure to give rise to a long debate, both in the Senate and in the House, and unless the bill proposing to regulate it shall be speedily introduced, it is very obvious that it may fail for want of time, if not of inclination. The Committee of the House today had the subject under investigation for probably the fiftieth time, but failed to reach a conclusion. The particular point which was considered this morning was the Executive Officer question. The staff officers are very bitterly opposed to this position, and propose, if possible, to abolish the office altogether. They maintain that he is a sort of official who impairs rather than strengthens the service, and that he is entirely out of place in the American navy, where the commander of a vessel is fully able to manage a ship. How this question will be settled is still a problem. Admiral PORTER is to give his views to the Committee on the subject in a few days.

THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

The people of the District of Columbia are very much gratified at the attention which they have recently received from Congress, and a better feeling now exists between the two parties, which is in very gratifying contrast to the ill-feeling and ill-humor of a few months and years ago. District business, as it is called, has obtained a good deal of consideration lately. A general incorporation act, for which the business men here have been praying for a long time, is in a fair way of being passed; and the prospects of the territorial scheme of the Government are very good. The Senate gave another half hour to the Capital this morning, and the prospect is, that in the future if the City is in the background, it will not be from the want of legislation.

THE FUNDING BILL.

The opposition to the Funding bill seems to be gathering strength. The national bank influence grows stronger every day, and seems to be very determined and resolute. It continues to many strong Republicans that the political aspect begins to attract attention. To-day it was agreed in the Ways and Means Committee that the bank interests should be heard on Tuesday next. The prospects of the bill is not so good as when it passed the Senate. Quite a number of hopeful New-York politicians are here, though they don't seem to be doing much.

PERSONAL.

Commissioner DELANO stands by Superintendent DUTCHER, and everything is quiet in that direction. The latest arrival is E. L. SANDERSON, Esq., of Brooklyn.

Dispatch to the Associated Press.

CONSULAR AND DIPLOMATIC APPROPRIATIONS.

The Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, reported in the House today, provides for Envoys Extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary to Great Britain and France at $17,500 each; Ministers to Russia, Prussia, Spain, Austria, Brazil, Mexico, China and Italy at $12,000 each; to Chili and Peru, $10,000 each; Ministers Resident at Portugal, Switzerland, Greece, Belgium, Bolivia, Denmark, Sweden, Turkey, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela, Guatemala, Nicaragua, Hayti, Liberia, Costa Rica, Honduras, Japan and Salvador, $7,500 each; to Hawaii Resident to the Argentine Republic and appointed also to Uruguay, at $10,000; Commercial and Consular Agents at Hayti, $7,500; Commercial and Consular Agent at Liberia, $5,000. There is an appropriation for Minister to Portugal. The entire amount of appropriations, including Consuls, is $600,847.

NOMINATION WITHDRAWN.

The President sent a message to the Senate today withdrawing the nomination of Geo. H. HARD, as Secretary of Dakota Territory.

JUDGE BRADLEY.

Associate Justice BRADLEY appeared, qualified and took his seat on the Bench of the Supreme Court today.

FORTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SECOND SESSION.

SENATE, WASHINGTON, Wednesday, March 23.

The Vice-President presented the joint resolution of the Territorial Legislature of New-Mexico, asking for authority to raise two regiments of cavalry to operate against the Indians. Referred.

MEXICO.

Mr. SUMNER presented the memorial of Gen. W. S. ROSECRANS, representing that while Minister to Mexico he became acquainted particularly with the resources of that country, and with its necessities in the way of telegraph and railroads, and asking for the incorporation of a company to construct them there, not inconsistent with the United States or international laws. Referred.

BILLS INTRODUCED.

Mr. CARPENTER introduced a bill to incorporate the Southern Express Company. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. COLE introduced a bill to establish a port of entry at Vallejo, Cal. Referred to the Committee on Commerce.

INDIAN CIVILIZATION.

Mr. WILSON called up the bill to promote the civilization of the Indians and prepare them for the rights of citizenship. The substitute for the bill reported by the Committee was read and passed. A motion to reconsider the bill was entered by Mr. STEWART.

AGRICULTURAL COLLEGES.

Mr. DRAKE called up the joint resolution concerning colleges for the benefit of agricultural and mechanic arts.

Mr. BAYARD objected to the immediate passage of the bill in view of its importance.

Mr. SUMNER remarked that a colored man having been admitted to a seat in the Senate, he could not see any reason for excluding him from an agricultural college.

Mr. DRAKE, in reply to an inquiry by Mr. THURMAN relative to the conditions to be performed by the States, said that the bill had no reference to any State which had received the agricultural script, and had by legislative action signified its compliance with the original conditions.

Mr. THURMAN opposed the bill, and the morning hour expiring during his remarks, it was laid over till the next morning hour.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA RAILWAY.

Mr. PATTERSON called up the bill to incorporate the Columbia Railway Company in the District of Columbia. Passed.

THE CASE OF GEN. AMES.

At 1 o'clock the unfinished business being the case of Gen. AMES as Senator elect from Mississippi, it came up in order.

Mr. WILLIAMS, who was entitled to the floor, yielded for a few moments to Mr. SUMNER.

Mr. SUMNER said he was reluctant to interfere with the discussion, but in obedience to a previous understanding to go into executive session at 1 o'clock today, he would now make a motion to that effect.

Mr. WILLIAMS declined to yield for that purpose, and an informal conversation ensued as to the propriety of an executive session to-morrow at 1 o'clock.

Without perfecting any arrangement, the regular order was proceeded with, and Mr. WILLIAMS made an argument in favor of the admission of Gen. AMES. He thought the fact of Gen. AMES' admission to the Senate by the Legislature was strong prima facie evidence of his legal residency, and that all the evidence rounded to the contrary, that at the time of the election, the intention to reside in Mississippi did exist, Gen. AMES had no legal residence when he formed that intention.

Mr. CARPENTER said that after a careful investigation of the Committee's report upon a dry legal question, the Judiciary Committee had been assailed with a warmth and vigor that would seem to indicate they were in a conspiracy to overthrow the Government, and to endanger the existence of the Republican Party. His own impression was, from the testimony, was that he thought the Senate should be satisfied that it was sometimes sweet to quarrel with a tiresome friend, that the Judiciary Committee had come to be regarded as a useless member of the body, as belonging to a condition of things where the Constitution was supreme. When political issues must be put through this body, and when the Constitution was disregarded, the Judiciary Committee, in the nature of things, was a useless machine. And so far as his (CARPENTER's) connection with it was concerned, he was willing to enter into a written stipulation, stamped with the Bayonne law, that it would be abolished to-morrow.

Mr. CARPENTER continued: Conceding, for the purpose of this discussion, that whenever the Constitution stands in the way of what we deem human rights; of what we deem a temporary advantage; of what we deem a party end, that it is to be trampled under foot and disregarded—conceding all this—and that is in all that any Senator can claim for modern progress in the revolutionary direction—conceding all that, the case of Gen. AMES does not fall within the concession. A decent respect for things called rights, a decent regard for the theory of our Government; a decent regard for our solemn oath, should dictate that the Constitution is not to be trampled under foot, except in cases of great necessity; cases of great corresponding advantages to the country, or to the party, or to human rights, or to somebody. What inducement, then, has been presented to us upon the first letter of the Constitution? What is the necessity for Gen. AMES taking his seat immediately? Does the fate of the Republic, of our party, or of any public measure depend upon it? No, Sir. Here we are in profound peace, with the Republic in every part of it, with two-thirds of the States; and there is Mississippi to-day, Republican in both branches. If we say today Gen. AMES is not entitled to his seat, he can return there, and without objection or difficulty, be sent back here within six days from this time. There is no necessity, no reason why the Senate should not decide the question upon strict principles.

Mr. CARPENTER then referred to the danger to follow from establishing a wrong precedent. Even the paltry consideration of Gen. AMES' pay for ten days was not involved, for the practice of the Senate was to make the compensation from the beginning of the term. He argued that an army officer did not lose or acquire residence by compliance with an order of transfer from one part of the country to another, and paid a high compliment to the integrity of Gen. AMES, and the candor and truthfulness of his letter to the Judiciary Committee.

Mr. MORTON said the Judiciary Committee had not been pronounced infallible, and he hoped that all its members would not consider that to differ from the Committee was disrespectful to it. He claimed that prima facie, a person elected to the Senate was qualified for the position. Such was the legal presumption. He and the Judiciary Committee had made one great mistake, of partisan upon Gen. AMES the burden of proving that he was an inhabitant of Mississippi, whereas the burden was upon the other side to show the contrary. The objection to his having come from the Committee, it was intended to be put upon them to substantiate the doubt they had raised. He then proceeded to examine the grounds upon which the objections were based, claiming that it did not matter whether Gen. AMES went to Mississippi voluntarily or involuntarily. The only question being whether, when there, he did conclude to make that his home.

Mr. HOWE regretted the uncharitable character of the debate. He thought it not impossible that the friends of Gen. AMES were as much attached to the Constitution as were the opponents of that gentleman's claim; and that the charge that the former were excessively desirous of trampling upon that instrument was but idle rhetoric.

Mr. SCOTT reviewed the whole question, to show that in determining as to a civil right, a military officer might exercise the same volition which was accorded to a civilian. He believed that as a matter of law and justice to the people of Mississippi Gen. AMES was entitled to his seat.

Mr. CRAGIN protested against the idea that an American citizen, because he happened to hold a military commission, had no right to decide where he should fix his habitation.

Mr. CONKLING argued that Gen. AMES had a perfect right to become a candidate, and that his citizenship was established.

Mr. DAVIS announced himself as utterly opposed to the admission of Gen. AMES, and believed that every principle applicable to the case ought to be applied with the most rigid strictness. He held substantially that Gen. AMES had not been chosen by the Mississippi Legislature, that he was the military appointee of the Commander-in-Chief of the Army of the United States, and was, in fact, as much the nominee of President GRANT for the office of Senator from Mississippi as though the appointment was written out in the usual form. He said that Gen. AMES was the servant of Mississippi; that his duties were as obnoxious as any, and that in the last session of the Legislature he could elect or defeat whomsoever he pleased. Mr. DAVIS arraigned the Administration as one whose business, as shown by recent events, was to secure objective, both Federal and State.

Mr. TRUMBULL and others signified their intention to vote on the subject, and at 4 o'clock the Senate adjourned.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. CLEVELAND presented resolutions of the Jersey City Common Council, and of the Bergen Board of Aldermen, in favor of making Jersey City a port of entry.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Mr. STARKWEATHER introduced a bill to pension the widow of Gen. Howard. Referred.

Mr. FENCH introduced a bill donating the Marine Hospital at Batavia to the State of Michigan for educational purposes. Referred.

Mr. POLAND offered a preamble and resolution instructing the Committee on Rules to inquire and report as to the expediency of adopting a rule that the previous question shall not be seconded on any bill or resolution before the House until two hours for consideration and debate shall have been had thereon, unless by three-fourths of the members present. Adopted.

REPORTS FROM COMMITTEES.

Mr. SCOFIELD, from the Committee on Naval Affairs, reported a bill for the removal of the Brooklyn Navy-yard. Ordered to be printed and recommitted.

Mr. DAWES, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported a resolution calling on the Secretary of the Treasury for a detailed statement of the expenditure of the twenty-five thousand dollars appropriated in 1863 for the colonization of the freedmen. Adopted.

THE SUTRO TUNNEL.

The Sutro Tunnel case then came up as the business of the morning hour.

Mr. STRICKLAND, a member of the Committee on Mines and Mining, supported the report of that Committee adversely to the bill.

Mr. KERR also sustained the report. In reply to the charge of extortion on the miners, he said the mines in fastness of one of them until the tunnel should be constructed, and until they should have derived advantages from it.

Mr. WOODWARD also supported the report of the Committee, asserting that the proper course was to leave the parties their legal rights, to be adjudicated in the Courts.

Mr. BLAIR also sustained the action of the Committee, and attributed the opposition to it to the influence of the Bank of California, which he described as the most gigantic monopoly in the United States; as possessing the whole Pacific Coast, as having had power enough to throw out the greenback currency from the entire coast, and as having waved its hand over the Comstock lode and ordered Sutro away.

Mr. BIGGS, a member of the Mining Committee, also sustained its action, and characterized the bill proposed as an outrage on the rights of Sutro and his company.

Mr. SARGENT, the minority member of the Committee, paid a compliment to the artistic manner in which the lobbying in this case on the part of Sutro had been carried on. It obtained his full admiration. Even if he were a minority of the Committee he would vote against the House, that he was the only member on the Committee from a gold or silver mining State. His Chairman had so little regard for the interests of the miners, numbering hundreds of thousands of citizens, and who had expended hundreds of millions of dollars in their business, as to speak of them yesterday as equivalent to a term of reproach only applied among miners to those who "jump" the claims of others. As to the Bank of California he had never had any business connected with it, and never received any favor from it.

Mr. AXTELL supported the position of his colleague (Mr. SARGENT).

Mr. KELLEY supported the action of the Committee, and eulogized ADOLPH SUTRO as one whose name would live as a man of genius. This tunnel was as essential to the lives of the miners as better regulations were essential to the coal miners of his own State. It was, therefore, a national rather than a local affair.

Mr. PERSHE, Chairman of the Committee closed the discussion in an argument in defence of the action of the Committee and in conclusion moved to lay the bill on the table.

The bill was laid on the table—yeas, 126, nays, 41.

PETITIONS.

Petitions in favor of admitting pig lead free of duty were presented by Messrs. DAVIS, WOOD and KELLOGG.

CONSULAR AND DIPLOMATIC APPROPRIATIONS.

Mr. KELSEY, of New-York, from the Committee on Appropriations, reported the Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill, which was made the special order for Tuesday next, subject to proceedings under general orders. It appropriates $600,847, against $1,110,704 for the same purpose last year.

DECLINE OF AMERICAN COMMERCE.

The Speaker presented the following special message from the President on the subject of American commerce:

To the Senate and House of Representatives:

In the Executive Message of Dec. 6, 1869, to Congress, the importance of taking steps to revive our declining commerce, was pointed out, and a special message promised at a future day, during the present session, recommending more effectually place to accomplish this result. Now that the Committee of the Senate has completed its laborious task of ascertaining the causes of the decline of American commerce, the time has arrived, in my opinion, for a part of the legislative branch of the Government, I mean, with the exception of the Committee's report. The very able and extensive report of the Committee points out the great evil which have contributed the decline in our commerce. It is a no flattering reflection that we are forced to pay from tribute to a likely nation for a different and inferior class of tonnage, which we should share with other nations, to transport our duties, the work of our own people, and our products and labor, and our manned vessels. This is a direct drain upon the resources of the country of just as much money, equal to carrying it into the sea, so far as the nation is concerned. It is a tax upon the industry and superior resources of the United States, extending as it does from one to the other of the great oceans of the world with an industrious, intelligent and energetic population, to the benefit of a few ship-owners, the fortunes of these owners, no matter what the end, likely will only another the cost and enhance the difficulty of attaining the result. I therefore put in my earnest plea for early action in this matter in a way to secure the best service of American commerce. The advanced period of the year, and the fact that no contract for ship-building will probably be entered into until the question is settled by Congress, and the fact that that year if there should be much delay all large vessels contracted for the year will fall of completion before winter sets in, and will therefore be kept out of use for a year longer, are my reasons for your early consideration of this subject. I regard it of such grave importance, affecting every interest of the country, to no great an extent, that any method that will give the flag of the country a fair chance of blessing. Building ships and navigating them and utilizing vast capital at home, that would employ thousands of workmen in their construction and maintenance. It would be a blessed thing for the country if the flag of the country, it should have the balance of trade against us, to pay to the extent of freights and no more money paid to American vessels, and give us a source of wealth and a means of inestimable value in case of foreign war. Our navy at the memorable battle of the Nile was composed of less than one hundred vessels, of about one hundred and fifty thousand tons, and a navy of the same tonnage would be required for the merchant marine, which had sent it to the Government nothing, but which had been a source of national wealth, six hundred vessels, exceeding one million tons, and about seventy thousand seamen, had been sent from the ocean at the rebellion. The national consideration the value of the merchant marine as a means of national defense in time of war.

Mr. CONKLING, from the Committee of the Reduction of American Tonnage, after tracing the cause of the decline, values two bills, which, if adopted, they believe will restore to the nation its maritime power. They recommend that the duties on the material used in manufacturing American tonnage of the time of its building, together with the earnings, and other statistics of material interest in reference to the subject. As the report is before Congress I will not recapitulate any of its statistics; but refer only to the means recommended by the Committee to bring back to us our lost commerce. As a general rule it can be adopted. I believe a direct money subsidy is liable to abuse than indirect aid given to the same end. Where the money is paid to the ship-owner, the subsidies while they may be given to specific lines of steamers, or of sailing vessels, may be unnecessarily lavished; but in addition to a subsidy very desirable results would be obtained, if a general system could be given in an effective way, and therefore should be upon favorable consideration the two bills proposed by the Committee and referred to in this message.

(Signed) U. S. GRANT.

EXECUTIVE MANSION, WASHINGTON, March 23, 1870.

The message having been read, the Speaker said that it would be referred to the Select Committee on the Decline of American Commerce, and ordered to be printed.

Mr. BROOKS, of New-York, remarked that he was glad that the attention of Congress had been called by the President to this subject. He believed that the chief remedy for the decline of American commerce was in such an amendment of the existing tariff law as would revive and resuscitate commerce, particularly in an equal manner, and destroy the tariff on iron.

Mr. KELSEY, of New-York, on the point of order that there was no question before the House, on which his colleague (Mr. BROOKS) was entitled to hold the floor.

The Speaker sustained the point of order, explaining that his presentation of Executive documents was also in its go to the appropriate committee, and that a single objection would cause them to go back to the speaker's table.

Mr. BROOKS said that he had but a few observations to make.

The Speaker said if any gentleman claimed the floor to speak on the message he would withdraw his ass and lay it on the speaker's table. The message was withdrawn.

POLYGAMY IN UTAH.

At 2½ o'clock the consideration of the Polygamy bill was resumed.

Mr. HOOPER, the delegate from Utah, continued his arguments against the bill, in defense of the Mormon community and its religious belief.

Mr. BARCHAM, in relation to a Remark made by Mr. WARD in his speech, stated that there were any Mormons in California, if not in the gentleman's district.

Mr. SARGENT did not know that there were any more Mormons in California than there were in the Oneida Community, in the State of New-York.

Mr. AXTELL said he did not agree in any of the arguments advanced, either by the delegate from Utah or by any other gentleman, in an attempt to establish the Christian right of polygamy, but this bill was unnecessarily harsh; it was a declaration of war; it would break up and destroy a prosperous and industrious community.

Mr. SCHENCK desired the bill to be recommitted. He believed some positive, effective legislation necessary to break up the corrupt political condition of things in Utah; but he thought that this bill, with its thirty-four sections, with its multifarious provisions, was not the best way to accomplish that object. There were provisions in it which appeared to be injurious to every principle of the common law, and it contained a section under which war might be made, directing the President to call out, in case the regular army should not be sufficient, not exceeding 40,000 volunteers, for a period not exceeding two years. He was inclined to believe that a short, well-drawn bill would effect the object. He would prefer the reference of this bill to the Judiciary Committee; but he would not, out of due deference to the Committee on Territories, make that motion. He moved to recommit the bill.

Mr. WELLER moved to amend the bill by striking out sections 11, 14, 20, 21 and 33.

Mr. CULLOM, Chairman of the Committee on Territories, opposed the motion to recommit, saying that he was willing to have reasonable amendments offered and acted on, and that he himself intended to move to strike out the eleventh section, which makes the lawful wife a competent witness against the husband, and to amend the twelfth section, which makes proof of cohabitation sufficient to sustain the prosecution.

The motion to recommit the bill was rejected by a vote of 75 to 80.

The House then proceeded to vote on the pending amendments.

The following amendment offered by Mr. FITCH was voted on by yeas and nays:

That the provisions of this act so far as the same shall be applicable, shall be extended to all the States and Territories of the United States wherein the crimes of bigamy, polygamy or concubinage have been or may be practiced.

The amendment was rejected—yeas 49, nays 114.

The House then proceeded to vote on the amendments offered by Mr. WELLER, to strike out certain sections;

Section 11, making the lawful wife of the accused a competent witness against him.

Section 14, providing that statutes of limitation shall not bar a prosecution under this act.

Section 20, requiring the confiscation of property of persons convicted.

Section 21, for the temporary relief of persons reduced to destitution under the enforcement of this act.

Section 33, authorizing the President to send the military into Utah, and to accept 40,000 volunteers, if necessary, to enforce this law.

It was generally understood that these were the only sections generally struck out. The bill was then passed by a vote of 94 to 32, without the yeas and nays.

THE SUPREME COURT.

Mr. BUTLER, of Massachusetts, introduced a bill authorizing the President to accept the resignation of any Judge of any United States Court. Referred.

A RECESS.

The House then at 4½ o'clock took a recess until 7½ o'clock, the evening session to be for general debate on the Tariff bill.

EVENING SESSION.

The House met in Committee of the Whole, Mr. FOSTER in the Chair, for general debate on the Tariff bill, and was addressed by Mr. HOLMAN against the protective system, and on the means of paying the American manufacturers, which he contended could be the only effective manner, by the general reduction of taxation. It could not possibly be built up in any other way in competition with nations which had adopted the policy of free trade. He was allowed to speak for two hours in the same further debate the House adjourned.

THE BRIE WAR.

Arguments Before the Railroad Committee of the State Senate—Mr. Gould's Defense.

ALBANY, N. Y., March 23.—Mr. JAY GOULD appeared before the Senate Railroad Committee this afternoon, and made a statement in opposition to Mr. BURR's argument for the repeal of the so-called Erie bill. After a brief introduction, Mr. GOULD said:

First—I claim that the real clients of Mr. BURR are two Jewish bankers, (HEARN & RAPHAEL) that the money to carry on the Erie war was furnished by them, and that the Erie stock was claimed by only a small minority of them, the owners of five-sixths, viz.: Rodney A. HEARN, 1,000 shares; HEARN & RAPHAEL, 1,000; Jacob RAPHAEL & Sons, 2,500 shares; Total, 4,500. Letters from these gentlemen have been produced protesting against the proceedings of the Committee, and another letter from the two jobbers of Erie stock, which we are carrying in Boston, I yet have not seen, which is signed by the London Stock Exchange, to have it stamped and pay a stamp, per share to Mr. BURR's proposed bill. Mr. BURR's bill, if passed, will compel us to go to the Surrogate's Court and compel us, if I cannot or carry my stock to London or have it stamped, to pay the stamp tax, HEARN & RAPHAEL—by a resolution of the London Stock Exchange, that no certificate of Erie stock shall be a good delivery except it be registered in the name of the owner, and that the transfer be made in the book of the Company. You demand of the Erie Railway Company the entire voting power of Erie Railway stock, while it is actually owned by two Jewish bankers, HEARN & RAPHAEL. Of this stock Messrs. HEARN & RAPHAEL need not own one dollar. Both the owners are to have no voice, and the Board of Directors to manage the affairs and the Company, in the interest of this great corporation is to be made up in the dingy office of a Jew banking house in London. It seems to me that such a condition of things is the most monstrous organization of the kind in the law. By this Jewish combination the control of the road is prevented from passing into the hands of incompetent and reckless speculators, and it is effectually secured from being sold out to the Pennsylvania Central, the New-York Central Companies, either of which could well afford to pay two millions or three millions to shut up or lease the Erie. So much for the origin of the Erie war.

Second—With regard to the statements made by Mr. BURR before your Committee, I can only say that they conflict with expressions used, both in conversation with myself and others, in the presence of Mr. GOULD entered into a complaint against Mr. BURR's personal treatment of him, and relates the conversation; I also offered to compromise with the Treasurer, saying I should be glad to have some good responsible man to carry on the finances of the road as I had been doing, first, however, reimbursing the moneys I had advanced to the Company during my term of office. To this the Treasurer replied, I could get no intelligible reply, and soon afterward the interview was closed. It remains for Mr. BURR to reconcile the statements made to me and those alleged before your Committee.

Third—As to the Consolidation bill, the repeal of which Mr. BURR so loudly demands, I would say that it is a measure of the Erie Railway Co., no more unknown in England than the principle of leasing railroad directors so that only a small proportion of the whole number would relinquish office each year. We find the same system in the United States in the Illinois Central Railroad. (MR. GOULD reviews the history of classification in Erie and says:) Mr. BURR does not represent a single share of stock that has not appreciated in value since the passage of the law, nor sold their stock since the passage of the law. With full knowledge of its existence and approval of its provisions.

Fourth—CHARGES OF EXTRAVAGANCE MADE.

Mr. GOULD then proceeded to argue against and exonerate himself from the charge of extravagance on the Erie Railway, Mr. GOULD says: We took charge of the Erie Railway in July, 1868, less than two years ago. At that time it was fast becoming bankrupt. The gross earnings had declined from $8,000,000 in 1867 to $14,000,000 in 1868, a loss of over $1,000,000. We have brought the earnings up to $17,000,000 per year. When we assumed the control of the road the property had been allowed to deteriorate, and the traveling public had lost confidence in the road. Now the fine condition of the line of the road, and the comfort of the cars, the luxury of our cars is spoken of by travelers as surpassing any rival route. In the matter of economy I may say that there are three great items which enter into the cost of operating a railroad, viz.: the cost of fuel, the cost of labor, and the cost of repairs. The cost of fuel has fallen in regard to the first, the cost in 1868 for fuel per mile run on the Erie Railway was twenty-four cents, and at the present time our fuel costs us about three thirteen cents per mile run, a very important item when it is considered that we run about eight millions of miles annually. This saving is the result of superior fuel of good, the Company having contracts from which they can obtain their supply for many years to come, thus saving all speculative profits. As to the general item of expenditure, we manufacture our own rolling stock; all our cars, locomotives, our own rails, under the most rigid inspection as to strength and quality, believing that in this department especially, the best is always the cheapest. We have reduced the cost of labor, for when we took the road $10 per ton on coal and $6 per ton on iron, hauled according rails that will wear twice the length of those that were formerly used. We have reduced the salaries of officers, making for special notice the item of labor. We have reduced expenses, the amount of the gross earnings of the road (here GOULD compares with the amount paid for labor during the Gould administration, as compared with the Drew administration of the preceding year, as follows: Gross earnings, December, 1868, $1,024,000; January, 1869, $1,[illegible]; February, 1869, $1,[illegible]; March, 1869, $1,[illegible]; Gross earnings December, 1869, $1,179,[illegible]; January, 1870, $1,[illegible]; February, 1870, $1,[illegible]; Amount of pay rolls, December, 1868, $[illegible]; January, 1869, $[illegible]; February, 1869, $[illegible]; March, 1869, $[illegible]; Amount of pay rolls December, 1869, $1,[illegible]; January, 1870, $[illegible]; February, 1870, $1,[illegible]. Decrease in cost of labor, $[illegible]. We have now laid before you the facts and statements which fully meet every accusation of Mr. BURR, and expose the slight foundations on which his charges are based.

GENERAL TELEGRAMS.

EUROPE.

Continuation of the Homeporte Trial—The Evidence Yesterday—Testimony of Mortemart.

TOURS, March 23.—The High Court of Justice opened at 11 o'clock this morning. Witnesses were examined to prove that FONVIELLE said VICTOR NOIR slapped the Prince in the face. The lawyers for the prosecution dwelt with effect on some grave contradictions in this testimony. A number of Policemen testified to remarks made by FONVIELLE after his arrest. One of the prosecuting lawyers created a sensation by declaring that the original report of the police in this case was not to be found. Only a copy, dated ten days later, could be produced. One witness swore that he heard FONVIELLE exclaim that if his pistol had not missed fire he would have shot the Prince. This had effect on the spectators, who are evidently beginning to lean to the cause of the Prince. Witnesses for the prosecution were then examined. M. ARGOULD testified that VICTOR NOIR had no intention of attacking the accused when he went to his house. HENRI ROCHEFORT was called as a witness for the prosecution. There was much agitation among the spectators at the announcement of his name. ROCHEFORT entered the court-room accompanied by two *gendarmes*, and took his place on the witness stand. He was pale, but very calm. He replied quietly to the interrogations, and after repeating the contents of the letter sent to him by the accused, which occasioned the visit of MM. NOIR and FONVIELLE, he retired to the bench reserved for journalists. Many of the latter shook hands with him as he took his seat. The wife of LOUIS NOIR, brother of VICTOR NOIR, was called to testify. She was much agitated. She said VICTOR NOIR could not have slapped the Prince, because the gloves on his hands were found to be intact. Other witnesses corroborated the statement of AMOUDIL that NOIR did not intend to quarrel with the Prince. M. MONET, a reporter of the *Monitour*, testified that the witnesses who now swear to FONVIELLE's admission that NOIR slapped the Prince, did not say so at first.

M. BILLIEUX and other witnesses testified to the physical weakness of VICTOR NOIR, and the improbability of his striking the Prince as the defense alleged. During an intermission of the Court many friends of M. ROCHEFORT gathered around him, when the *gendarmes* interfered, and surrounding the prisoner, kept his friends back.

The Castle Disaster—A Remar

CUBAN AFFAIRS.

ARRIVAL OF THE STEAM-SHIP MORRO CASTLE.

The steam-ship *Morro Castle*, from Havana March 19, reached this port yesterday. Purser R. W. ALLEN has our thanks for the prompt delivery of the interesting letter printed below.

The Cession of Cuba—The War—Severe Orders—Death of Arredondo and Cuesta—Extent Resources of an Insurgent Chieftain.

From Our Own Correspondent.

HAVANA, Saturday, March 19, 1870.

The receipt of yesterday's Madrid telegram, announcing the discussion in the Press of that city, as to the advisability of ceding the Island of Cuba to the United States, has again awakened the dormant fears of many Spaniards, and caused considerable stir and excitement among them. The Havana Spaniards, with very few exceptions, are all bitterly opposed to any such measure, not so much out of dislike to a change of nationality without their will, as to the hatred they entertain toward the Cubans. In the event of the cession or sale of the island to the United States, Spaniards and Americans would agree excellently and live peacably together; but the Spaniards here are fully determined to fight on their own hook, even if the mother country should sell or give them away. That they would be unable to maintain themselves more than a few weeks is a foregone conclusion. But as this matter has again been broached, and as many Americans may delude themselves into the belief that the cession of Cuba might be consummated at some early day, it may be well to mention that such an event is neither probable nor possible at present. Parx's pacaronos extinction at the helm of state would be of but short duration if he dared to openly countenance such a project, and any man in the island who should express himself in favor of the plan would stand but little chance of escaping with his life. In order to allay the excitement caused by the telegram, another, received by the Captain-General from the Colonial Minister in Madrid, was published in the evening papers, reading as follows:

"The discussion in the journals about the cession of the Island of Cuba to the United States is of no importance, and there are no motives to have caused it."

Whether the Minister is correct in his version remains to be seen; but that the Island of Cuba will belong to the United States sooner or later is apparent to everybody in Spain and Cuba, and the annexation will be consummated without expenditure of life or money to the United States, provided they let events take their natural course.

THE WAR

is the same old hunt; no regular fights, no battles, and no peace. Plenty of scrimmages, numerous murders, and hatred unlimited. One party is afraid and the other don't dare. The insurrection is producing such a plentiful supply of bandits that after a while the Spanish and Cuban armes may have work enough to exterminate them to protect themselves. As a specimen of confidence, the law which prevented any salt or provisions (except in small quantities and with the permission of the authorities) from being carried into the interior from the towns has been abolished in the jurisdictions of the Vuelta Abajo, Havana, Matanzas and Cardenas. Plantation burning has again been inaugurated, the last destroyed being that of Mr. Earnshaw, near Sagua; the lady is an American residing at Wilmington, in Delaware. Six other plantations were burned in the immediate vicinity of Sancti Spiritus. It has been fully demonstrated to the satisfaction of the military officers that the Cubans receive aid from the citizens in the towns and on the farms. In consequence, the Commander of Sancti Spiritus, Col. O'DALY, has issued the following order, which proves that the most severe measures must be resorted to, to prevent the Cubans from fighting for their country or helping their fighting countrymen. The document issued by the Irish Spaniard O'DALY is a better proof of the power of the insurgents than all the lying denials of the Havana Press, or the equally exaggerated and untrue accounts published by journals in the Cuban interest. If both would stick close to the truth it would aid their respective causes more. But the order of Col. O'DALY is of paramount importance, showing conclusively the condition of the country and the animus of the Spanish chiefs. Here it is:

HEAD-QUARTERS SANCTI SPIRITUS, AND MORON.

To the Commanders of the Military Force and Detachments:

In view of the old insurrection receives from the people who still reside in the open country, I have resolved that they remove to the places where detachments are placed, constructing their houses within gun-shot distance of the same, without excuses or distinctions of any kind, within the next eight days.

After daybreak they may be presented to go to their farms, but before nightfall they must return to the settlement.

Those who do not own any farms will be compelled to cultivate the lands in the immediate vicinity of the forts and settlements, within half a league's distance, and in the outskirts of the City of Sancti Spiritus.

The persons coming from the insurrectionary districts will be provided with a cedula stating this fact. All those who may be found at a greater distance from the settlements than half a league without a pass from the commander of the post or settlement, where they reside, and without accounting for the fact that they are at work on their farms, and pass being only valid for eight days, will be treated as insurgents.

It is positively prohibited to take anything out of the towns, but everything may be brought from farms. Those taking anything out of the settlements will be treated as insurgents.

The plantations and farms having an armed force will be considered as garrisoned by troops, and to such places the articles needed may be carried by the consent of the military commander. Every individual found in the country after nightfall or previous to the hour fixed for leaving the settlements in the morning will be treated as an insurgent.

The chiefs of the Zone and military detachments will be held responsible by me for strict compliance with this order.

O'DALY,
General-in-Chief, *ad interim*.

SANCTI SPIRITUS, March 6, 1870.

If any further explanation is needed as to the threatened punishment of being treated as an insurgent, it may be summed up in the following short account of a trial on such a charge:

QUESTION—What is your name?

ANSWER—My name is N. N.

COMMANDER—You are an insurgent. Take him out and shoot him.

GEN. ARREDONDO,

the leader of the Guinos insurgents, who was captured and shot on Wednesday, was a man of superior education and undoubted valor. Before the execution of the sentence he made a dying declaration in writing, portions of which are anything but favorable to the Cubans. His adjutant, RAFAEL FERNANDEZ CUSTO, a young man of twenty-two years of age, declared that ARREDONDO never fired at anybody, owing to his humane sentiments; that the fear of being mistreated and his enthusiasm caused him to join the insurrection at first, and that he came with ARREDONDO's band, having first abandoned his father, because said band was moving toward Havana, merely for the purpose of coming to Havana to see his mother. QUASIMODO.

DANISH WEST INDIES.

The Question of Annexation—Benefits of the Action to the United States.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

ST. CROIX, Saturday, March 12, 1870.

As many Americans seem to take a kindly interest in the Danish West India Islands, in a lack of startling news you may not object to hear something of the views of their inhabitants. They argue that it is now some two or three years since they were told that they were sold to the United States, and as yet everything remains in a state of uncertainty. This deranges all business, checks operations, and places them in a most disagreeable position. They have the right to complain that the United States Senate does not say either yes or no.

The United States need not fear that the island would ever be a burden to the Treasury. This small island alone would pay to the Federal Government a revenue of over a half a million a year over the expenses of governing it. We would send them over 10,000 puncheons of rum a year, which, at $50 a puncheon excise tax, would be $500,000. Other taxes, one cent a pound on sugar, import duties, stamp tax, income tax, &c., would more than pay the expense of Government, which would be very trifling. There would be required perhaps a small garrison of one or two companies. The forts, barracks, schools, roads, Police, &c., the people would tax themselves and pay.

The ridiculous exaggerations which got into some American papers about volcanoes and earthquakes make the people laugh. There is nothing volcanic in the formation of these islands, nor is there a volcano within many hundred miles of us. In the past two or three years earthquakes seem to have been seriously (newspaper) about the world, and in places where apparently they have no business. In November, 1867, we were visited with a shake, followed by that curious phenomenon an earthquake wave (which throw a United States man-of-war ashore here, who was afterward launched.) No earthquake was ever known here before to do any damage, and the island is no more liable to have such experience again than Boston is.

The inhabitants of the island have now been, we may say, standing on one leg for over two years, and they feel that they have the right to ask the United States Senate to put them out of this state of uncertainty, and just say yes or no to that treaty.

If they go over to the States, this island would be the gem of the West Indies, and a credit to the flag, and the people I may say are unanimous for the change.

NORTH CAROLINA.

Ku-Klux Outrages—The Want of Qualified Militia—The Necessity of Martial Law, &c.

From an Occasional Correspondent.

RALEIGH, N. C., Monday, March 21, 1870.

There are nearly as many Ku-klux outrages in North Carolina as in Tennessee, but, thank God, not quite so many. But our Constitution differs from the fundamental law of that State in one particular. It positively forbids the suspension of the writ of habeas corpus by State authority, and therefore, while it permits the Governor to declare a county in insurrection, it denies the exercise of martial law. This last power resides with us only in the General Government.

There is a great difficulty in obtaining qualified militiamen. Such persons as are willing to volunteer are not of the character in this State to subserve the purposes of peace and order. True, they could be quartered in a county by law, and the county required to pay their expenses, which in a few weeks would reach a sum which in the aggregate would become oppressive to the property-holders, and by this means cause a revulsion of feeling against the repetition of the outrages. But after one or two experiments in this line, the State authorities have fallen back upon the arm of the Federal Government. The Federal soldiers now in Alamance are there as an auxiliary force to the civil authorities. But alas, these very authorities protest against their presence.

It may yet be that the remedy of martial law will be required to be applied by the General Government. God forbid that in times when the world is at peace, the Rashmi sword and peeling drum must be called into requisition to overawe lawless bands of assassins. But the law-abiding men of this State, while deprecating the necessity, are nearly ready for it. J.

CURRENT NOTES.

The Boston alumni of Brown University are to have a dinner on Monday evening.

A new gas-light company is to be organized in Troy, with a capital of $100,000.

A Texas paper reports that Gov. DAVIS was "bouqueted" lately.

Wild geese are pointing their Ya northward.

GILMORE is said to have in mind a musical project to eclipse the jubilee.

Gov. GEORGE W. HENDEE, of Vermont, is seriously ill of lung fever at his home in Morristown.

Boston is again talking of laying out a huge public park, where the citizens can go with their families and enjoy the east winds.

A Montana sportsman has distinguished himself by shooting a sky-blue rabbit without foreign or shoulders.

A poor little boy, ten years old, whose parents are dead, shot himself through the heart in Portsmouth, Va., on Friday. It is supposed harsh treatment drove him to the act.

GEORGE WASHINGTON told a lie in Court in Columbus, Ga., on Saturday, and thus secured the imprisonment of BENJAMIN FRANKLIN.

The Louisville *Courier-Journal* says that WHITTIER is admired in the South quite as warmly as he would be if he had never written a single "song of freedom."

Baltimore confidently expects soon to have another hotel. The ground has been leased, $50,000 has been secured, and all that is now needed to carry out the plan is $450,000 more.

At Montreal on Saturday BOYER did two miles on snow-shoes in eleven minutes fifty-three seconds, said to be by twenty-eight seconds the best time yet recorded.

The Governor-General of Canada has, through advertisements in Canadian papers, called the attention of Her Majesty's subjects and others in the New Dominion, to certain provisions of the Foreign Enlistment act.

A Cincinnati lady who recently found the gas escaping in her servant's chamber, asked her if she had blown it out instead of turning it off, and was told that she "was not so green as all that; she had only turned it on again a little, that it would be easier lighted in the morning."

The San Antonio (Texas) *Express* says that Gov. L. ULIZARI, a leading compatriot of KOSSUTH and Governor of the fortress of Comorn, and for many years an esteemed and respected citizen of that city, died on the 7th inst. He was nearly eighty years of age.

A blacksmith, residing in Williamstown, Oswego county, while laboring under *delirium tremens*, a few days ago, rubbed live coals on his face, laid red hot iron bars across it, and finally fell into the blazing forge. He was rescued, but his face and the upper part of his body were burned almost to a crisp, and there is scarcely a chance of his recovery.

A California paper reports that the "friends" of a Chinaman, who had been sick for some time, thought on the 6th inst. that he was dying, and forthwith tumbled him into a coffin and proceeded to bury him. Some Americans, however, interfered and took him out of the coffin. It was then about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, and the Chinaman lived until 9 o'clock the next morning, when his spirit took its flight to the Flowery Kingdom.

A ghost drove an entire family tumultuously from a house in Oswego at a late hour on Sunday night. After a while their excitement was allayed, and on investigation they found that a cow, on a foraging raid, had made her way into a rear kitchen and inserted her head into an empty flour barrel. The barrel became fast on her horns, and unable to escape the incumbrance, the terrified animal commenced a frantic rampage about the apartment, with the result above described.

Gov. HOFFMAN on Tuesday signed the act providing for an election on Tuesday, May 17, of Chief Judge and six Associate Judges of the Court of Appeals; also, for the election of three additional Judges of the Court of Common Pleas of this City. The act provides that each elector shall vote for the Chief Judge and four Associate Judges only. The State canvassers are to declare the result of the election on the second Tuesday of June next, and the new Court is to organize on the first Monday in July.

There is an enterprising young man in Butler County, Penn., who the other day borrowed $5 from his prospective mother-in-law that therewith he might hire a sleigh in which to take her daughter to the parson. CHARLES got his sleigh, also drank considerable whisky, and then started for the bride. She, however, refused to leave the house to be married, and CHARLES then proceeded to bring the minister to her. But being intoxicated, as he says, he lost his way, and to find it again, perhaps, sold sleigh, robes and bells for $6. Now in jail he languishes.

A curious call has been issued for a State Temperance Convention in Grafton, West Va., on Thursday, June 23. The signers say that they are about equally divided between Republicans [illegible] Democrats, and propose to present such a platform as will [illegible] all those who [illegible] temperance [illegible] to be [illegible] their standard at least ten thousand voters, and then hold the balance of power in the State; and they add: "We hereafter will vote for and support candidates for office without reference to their political or ecclesiastical views. And if it is thought best, when we meet in convention, we will adopt universal suffrage, which includes female enfranchisement. But, be it known, we will not vote for any drunken leader under any circumstances."

The Boston papers announce a grand musical celebration of the anniversary of the National Peace Jubilee, arranged to take place in that city in June. The affair is to be holden under the auspices of the Massachusetts Section of the National Musical Congress, at the head of which are Dr. TOMPKINS, Mr. GILMORE, Mr. ZERRAHN, and other well-known musicians.

COMMUNICATIONS.

"The State in Danger."

"It is the divine right of every citizen to discuss public questions, and the Press—that mighty engine—aids in this free discussion all over the country." So says Rev. Mr. HEPWORTH, and with this recommendation I have no doubt you will permit me a short reply to some statements of the reverend gentleman. And to make my remarks as short as possible, I will deal simply with a few of the misstatements, leaving aside the inconsistencies, which require no refutation, as for instance, that the Pope would establish the inquisition if he could, that the Catholic Church would burn every Protestant at the stake, &c., &c., coupled with the admission that "the Pope is a good and pious man," &c. In the sermon published by you this morning, Mr. HEPWORTH, among other things, affirms that:

1. The Catholic Church owes no political allegiance to this country. The individual members of that Church owe allegiance to the Pope alone and would fight you if commanded to do so, notwithstanding the oath which they have taken renouncing allegiance to the country from which they came.

2. If a member of that sect refuses obedience to the mandates of the priest, he is liable to be burned at the stake.

3. The moment these people begin to think for themselves they cease to be good Catholics.

In 1788, when the English Roman Catholics were seeking relief from the disabilities imposed upon them—because of their faith—by the mother country, they represented to Mr. Pitt, forsooth, "that children left out of God and the King," which they declared to be a summary of their tenets. As a measure of additional precaution, Mr. Pitt then caused to be sent several questions to the foreign Catholic Universities of Sorbonne, Louvaine, Douay, Alcala and Salamanca, and the answers were duly confirmed the "Principles" as matter of Catholic doctrine. In these principles it is declared that

4. Catholics believe that the Bishop of Rome, successor of Saint Peter, is the head of the whole Catholic Church, in which case this Church may, therefore, fitly be styled Roman Catholic, being an universal body under one visible head.

5. It is no matter of faith to believe that the Pope is in himself infallible, separated from the body of the Church, even in expounding a doctrine, by the unanimous consent of a council or dozen, in whatever form promulgated, unless exclusively from a general council or universal acceptance of the Church, oblige them, under pain of heresy, to an internal assent.

"Upon these principles," Catholics believe that the Pope has any direct or indirect authority over the temporal power or jurisdiction of princes. Hence, if the Pope should issue a bull, or decree, absolving Malcolm's subjects from their allegiance, on account of heresy or schism, such dispensation would be void and null, and all Catholic subjects, so willing to be, such dispensation or decree notwithstanding, would in conscience be debarred from their King and country at the hazard of their lives and fortunes, (as far as Protestants would be bound, even against the Pope himself, in a case to which he had a right.

11. It is no matter of faith to believe that any religious that no power on earth can license man to lie, to forswear or perjure themselves, to murder their neighbors or destroy their nature or religion, notwithstanding all the Catholic canons or religious, authorities, all pretended dispensations granted, or pretended to be granted, in order to any such kind of designs, could have no other validity in law or other than to be a mirthless and blasphemous attempt to deceive mankind.

The answer of the universities to the question touching the allegiance of the subject was in these words:

"That the Pope, or Cardinals, or any body of men, or any individual of the Church of Rome, cannot absolve or dispense with Sir Malcolm's subjects from their oath of allegiance, upon any pretext whatsoever."

And in addition to all this, the doctrine was officially promulgated by Pope PIUS VI. in his rescript of the 17th of June, 1791.

These statements are matters of historical truth, and can it be possible that a clergyman of Mr. HEPWORTH's standing should be ignorant of them? If so, how can he presume to instruct his congregation in the principles he mentioned? Or were he not ignorant, can it be possible that he was cognizant of them, and deliberately stated what he knew to be inconsistent with them? It is for him to explain, if he does not wish to stand recreant as a wolf in sheep's clothing.

Considering that, in your opinion, the subject is "fraught with danger to the State," I am tempted to say a few words more.

"The Bible is worth more than any other book in our public schools," says Mr. HEPWORTH. Mr. BERL MARTIN, in his *Introduction to the English Tongue*, censures the putting of the sacred book into the hands of everyone, leaving it, as he says, "a book of thoughtless children, to be torn, trampled upon, and made the early object of their execution, by being their most tedious task, and their punishment." The Bishop of Llandaff was of opinion that the Bibles distributed should be accompanied with a Book of Common Prayer, as being "a safe guide in the intermeddling interpretation of the Bible," and EDMUND BURKE, after showing the necessity of asserting the various matters contained in Holy Scripture, and explaining what was mere narrative, what precept, and what command, remarked, "If we do not get some security for this, we may be ruined, and we will be actually ruined for a dangerous fanaticism which can be produced to corrupt our people and to derange the public worship of the country."

"When the Catholic boy goes to one of our free schools he becomes intractable for all purposes of Catholic education." Mr. HEPWORTH, and strange to say, this is the accusation that Catholics have made and Protestants hitherto combated. Here we have it admitted, nay, defiantly asserted, by a Protestant ecclesiastic. If this be so, need there be any further discussion as to the State compel Catholics to attend their children to schools where "Catholicism" is eradicated? Will our Government, (which by the way, Mr. HEPWORTH styles "a Protestant Government!") countenance such an interpretation of the religious freedom which the Constitution guarantees? Or will Catholic taxpayers be compelled, any longer, to support and maintain schools, in which their faith is annihilated? We thank Mr. HEPWORTH for putting the statement so clearly and unequivocally, and are content upon that issue, to demand a decision of the people. F. F. F.

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The Army and the House of Representatives.

To the Editor of the New-York Times:

The House has just passed a bill which would put out of service two Major-Generals and two Brigadier-Generals. About two years ago it was in question before Congress to reduce the number of Brigadier-Generals from ten to eight; suddenly two vacancies occurred, and Congress contented itself with providing against their being filled. The other course involved the dismissal of officers who had fought, perhaps bled, in the long campaign of four years, almost daily battling for Union—who perhaps had for thirty or forty years shared the hardships of our remote frontiers—ever battling for the advance of civilization. This legislation ought to have a foundation of manifest right. Well, there are eight Brigadiers and there are forty regiments, or ten brigades—of the large war size—in the army; therefore, there are now too few Brigadiers. As to our peace wants, there are scores Colonels, who were very lately Lieutenant-Colonels, in command of Military Departments, and others are commanded by Major-Generals.

Some dollars will be saved to the Treasury by the proposed action; but is it economy? So would expenditure be saved by dismissing all the Captains of the army—companies can be, often are, commanded by Lieutenants. The pay and allowances are reduced. The Chairman could "not understand the figuring" by which General officers received from seven to nine thousand dollars. It should be known that two or three thousands, of these sums, are not emoluments, but remuneration for rent and fuel paid for by these officers, who are necessarily in some cases stationed in expensive cities. Unless the bill involves a tax on bachelors the Chairman's remark about Lieut.-Gen. SHERIDAN was rather ungenerous; and he compares these few army salaries with those of Supreme Court Judges, &c. Did he forget that there is a bill before Congress to increase the salaries of these Judges, &c.—a measure which public opinion demands? A few years ago there was a pay bill, which following the habitual exception of general officers from advance, was discovered to increase the Colonel's pay above that of Brigadier-General. In consequence they received then the longevity reason but that fair consideration is taken away from them by this bill.

I would make a few remarks about Col. BAKER's late severe retaliation against the Piegans. The army has commonly [illegible] COLLECTOR BAILEY.

Probable Amount of the Defalcation—The Case Narrowing Down to an Extraordinary Basis.

The case of Collector BAILEY has become "a nine days' wonder," and from the disclosures made yesterday it would appear that every day must reduce the interest felt in the discussion of the defalcation, because narrowed down to reasonable limits—until the sum is so small that public attention will cease to be excited about it. Thus Mr. Bailey may resume and commence anew his trial, just as other almost extinguished fires and take his chances of escaping punishment by exciting the usual delays.

The facts as revealed by the examination of the accounting clerk, show that there was but about $185,000 marked off on the books as "uncollected." It is thought that in such a district as this not more than $40,000 would really be uncollected, and if this view is correct there cannot possibly be a defalcation of more than $135,000, and it is the opinion of some of the Revenue officers that the amount taken will not in any case be found to exceed $100,000. The exact figures cannot be obtained without personal inquiry of those who have been recorded on the lists as "unpaid," and accompanying memoranda should be found or produced by Mr. BAILEY's confidential deputy to clear the facts. This portion of the investigation will occupy some days. Meanwhile the public can be assured that the loss will not exceed the figures above given. This must be gratifying to his bondsmen, who are personally liable for the amount of his defalcation, and to his friends, who may be induced to make good the deficiency. It will also be a source of gratification to those who wish to have him return and meet whatever other charges may be brought against him.

THE MOTIVE FOR THE FLIGHT.

Now that the amount of the defalcation is discovered to be so small, compared with the first alarm reports, another motive for the absence of Mr. BAILEY is conjectured. He is very sensitive, has become a hypochondriac, and has lost in some of the first stroke, and has been blessed with many very valuable and influential friends. He had conducted the business of his office since he was first appointed Collector of Internal Revenue in such a manner as procured him the gratitude of a great many people who belong to a class that seldom forgiveth injuries. Mr. BAILEY had failed in his prosecution of the charges against Judge FULLERTON, had spent a great deal of time and considerable money in the effort to conduct this prosecution successfully, and hoped that it he succeeded he would be able to relieve some of his pecuniary embarrassments, the moneys which he had "borrowed" of the Government from time to time. Seeing that he was about to signally fail in the case of FULLERTON, and knowing that his failure there would greatly damage his chances of success in almost every other case in which he was engaged as prosecutor, he resolved to be indicted on account on various charges of false arrest and persecution amounting to malfeasance in office, determined to "flee the wrath to come," thereby escape pursuit, punishment, and trust to the future to adjust his differences with the Government. His intended movements from the taunts which he clearly saw would be cast at him by reason of his failure in the Fullerton case; he could not bear to meet the eye of those whom he had injured, and he fled.

WHERE THE MONEY WENT.

Mr. BAILEY had a salary of $5,000 per annum as Collector of Internal Revenue. His salaries in the Fourth District were not large, while his expenses were heavy, for he provided for himself and family with a liberal hand, and, like many others, he doubtless exceeded his income. While in the Fourth District he "raided" somewhat extensively upon the whisky distillers and involved himself in trouble. He made an application for the Thirty-second—the most valuable district in the City—and had a hard fight before he obtained the appointment, it is said, thousands of dollars before he was confirmed. He then entered upon the discharge of his duties in the Thirty-second District hammered seriously, and so greatly embarrassed that it was necessary for him to do something in order to relieve himself. He therefore "raided" upon his old enemies, the whisky dealers, and gathered cases enough to, if he was successful in their prosecution, fill him a fine income from the way of notieies. He looked upon his gains from these sources as large enough to not only cover his "borrowed" money, but to establish him as one of the most indefatigable Collectors of Internal Revenue, and possible one of the richest. It is said that he was surrounded with a small army of spies who were constantly "blowing" him for money and thus kept him impoverished. He dealt liberally with these men because he felt that they were necessary to him. It is easy to see, under these circumstances, how Mr. BAILEY was "led" until he could give no more, and that he has not yet profited by the money he has "borrowed" from the Government.

LOOKING OUT FOR HIM.

The Government detectives, belonging to Col. WHITLEY's Secret Service Division, are on the look-out for Mr. BAILEY, but how soon they will succeed in procuring his attendance is impossible to say. Those who were consulted thought he would probably have left the country, their opinion, and the general impression is that he is somewhere in the City, and that he will be forthcoming when wanted.

AN ALLEGED CONFESSION.

It is stated, by the Washington correspondent of an Eastern paper that the Treasury Department has received information about Ex-Collector BAILEY which leaves no doubt that he is a defaulter to a larger amount than first reported. His letter, it is said, states that he is in the hands of the Treasury officials in which he admits the defalcation, and says it occurred two or three years ago in the Fourth District without any fault on his part; that the Government owes him $10,000 which he wants to have go to his bondsmen; that he is in Canada, in a foreign country, and has taken funds enough to last him six months; that he has left his wife and children but $200, and that as soon as he can learn the language of the country to which he is going, he will go to work to retrieve his fortune and settle his accounts.

DISCHARGE OF A VICTIM.

Just previous to his disappearance, Mr. BAILEY made a complaint against SAMUEL L. WILLEY, of the firm of H. WEBSTER & Co., wholesale liquor dealers, charging him with having defrauded the Government of the tax on a large quantity of whisky. Yesterday the accused was discharged by Commissioner SHIELDS on the ground that there was no evidence to sustain the charge.

MR. BAILEY'S SUCCESSOR.

It is probable that Gen. PLEASONTON will take charge of the Thirty-second District in a few days as Collector. Col. CLIFFORD THOMPSON visited the office yesterday and looked around for a little while, in order to get an idea of how business was being done. The Colonel will be Gen. PLEASONTON'S aid in his new field of operations.

Homes for the City Arabs.

Those who set out to inspect the institutions of New-York, and fail to visit the headquarters of the street boys, miss one of the most interesting sights about the City. These boys are an interesting study at any time, but in the evenings, when boot-blacks have stowed away their boxes, and news-boys have sold out the "five o'clock edition," and assembled with peddlers, "baggage smashers," and hundreds of juvenile nondescripts, they present an appearance that will repay a visit to their lodging-houses. Between eighty and ninety of these homeless boys left the office of the Children's Aid Society yesterday, in charge of Mr. J. P. ELLIS, to be provided with permanent homes in the West. As many of these boys are unable to read or write, and accomplished in vices of which ignorance is the parent, care is taken to have them located with parties who will educate them and elevate their moral character.

Daring Street Robbery.

CHARLES W. LAKEMAN, of No. 56 Tillery-street, Brooklyn, at an early hour yesterday morning was waylaid at the corner of Madison and Oliver streets by three ruffians, who having knocked him down, robbed him of his gold watch and chain, valued at $150, after which they escaped. LAKEMAN was found in a disabled condition by the Police, and taken to the Oak-street Station-house, where he received surgical attention, and was then removed to his house. No clue to the ruffians has yet been found.

Surprising a Gang of Counterfeiters.

Late on Monday night several of Col. WHITLEY's Secret Service detectives made a descent on the head-quarters of a gang of counterfeiters at Snake Hill, New-Jersey, capturing a number of the inmates, together with a large quantity of dies, presses and counterfeit plates for printing $50 greenbacks. The captured parties gave aliases, one of which resulted in the arrest of J. ELMORE, in this City, yesterday, on a charge of being implicated in the counterfeiting operations. The accused waived an examination before Commissioner SHIELDS, and was subsequently held in $5,000 bail to await the action of the Grand Jury.

The Brooklyn Chess Club Tournament.

The Brooklyn Chess Club tournament will close on Saturday unless the Committee should deem it advisable to extend the time. It is impossible for the players who have made the best average of games won and lost to play the necessary number of games to entitle them to a prize, and unless the closing day of the tourney be changed, the most successful candidates will [illegible] no prize. It is desirable that the time for playing of the tourney should be extended. The score is as follows:

	Won.	Lost.
J. Brannigan	26	1
J. Mason	26	1
Capt. McKenzie	26	1
E. Delmonico	21	6
J. Perrin	19	8
O. A. Gilbert	19	8
Dr. White	16	11
T. A. Dubois	2	25

Unless the termination of the tournament is extended, the only players who can receive prizes are Messrs. DELMONICO, GILBERT and DUBOIS, as they are the only players who have played the necessary number of games to entitle them to a prize.

HEAVY IMPORTERS' FRAUDS.

Discovery of a Wide-Spread and Long-Continued Silk Scheme, Involving Several Arrests of Wealthy Merchants—Collusion with Custom-House Officials.

For some time past some of the Government officials in this City have been cognizant of the fact that extensive and systematic smuggling frauds have been carried on by importers by means of various ingenious devices. The Times called the attention of the public to the fraud several months ago, but no attempt was made to bring the guilty parties to justice at the time. Recently, however, Secretary BOUTWELL directed Col. WHITLEY, Chief of the Secret Service Division, to make a full investigation of the frauds, and to do his best toward suppressing them. The first result of the latter's labors was the arrest of two importers named SIMEON WOLFE and MYRTLE MAY, doing business at No. 478 Broadway, yesterday, on a charge of having smuggled a large quantity of laces, velvets, silks, and other valuable articles through the Custom-house during the last eighteen months. The manner in which they conducted their illicit operations, it is alleged, was through fictitious names, and by means of reporting the smuggled articles as cotton and other cheap fabrics. They had an ally in Paris who aided them in the fraud, in a very material way. He made false invoices of the goods at the time of shipment, it is alleged, and these were used to promote the smuggling scheme on their arrival here. He is said to have been the originator of the frauds, and to have been compelled to leave the City in order to escape being blackmailed by a confederate. The goods which were smuggled were shipped in such a shape as to make them resemble bales of cotton and other articles on which the import duty is very light. On the landing of the goods MAY would appear and would assert that he was their owner under the name entered in the invoice. Sometimes, now and then, for fear of being detected, he would use many different names, he would have others do this duty for him. After the goods had passed the Custom-house examiners and entry clerks they were taken away by barges employed by the smugglers and delivered to the firm on Broadway. The motive for smuggling the silks, velvets, &c., instead of paying the duties, was to defraud the Government of the difference, which is immense. It is said that the full history of the fraudulent transactions, when made public, will show a waste of energy, or something worse, on the part of several Collectors. MAY and WOLFE were first brought before one of the United States Commissioners yesterday, and were held in $20,000 bail, in default of which amount they were subsequently committed to Ludlow-street Jail. Their examination was fixed for Friday afternoon next. On Tuesday Col. WHITLEY arrested a Custom-house broker, who is said to have assisted the accused in their dishonest operations in company with another Custom-house broker, and two other persons not yet arrested. He made a full confession of the acts of his confederates, which will be used against them at their trial. In connection with the arrest of WOLFE and MAY, it may be mentioned that their books were seized about two months ago by Deputy-Marshal CROWLEY, and were afterward turned over to the Custom-house authorities.

It was positively ascertained last evening that over $200,000 worth of goods has been surreptitiously brought into the port by WOLFE & Co., within the past year and a half, and that there was good reason for believing the sum would reach $500,000. Col. WHITLEY, who has complete evidence of the frauds in his possession, is to be commended for the energy and manner in which he has "worked up" the matter.

BROOKLYN ELECTION FRAUDS.

Mayo and Hannan Convicted—A Plea of Guilty in the Case of Buckley and Brown.

At 10 o'clock yesterday morning, in the Court of Over and Terminer, Brooklyn, the case of the People vs. HENRY F. MAYO and MICHAEL HANNAN, relative to falsifying the canvass of votes in the Fourth District of the Fourth Ward, was resumed. Mr. JENKS summed up for the defence and District-Attorney MORRIS for the prosecution.

Judge GILBERT charged the jury substantially as follows:

Our only concern in this case is to discharge the duty devolved upon us by law. It is my duty to lay down the rules of law to you, and it is your duty to examine the case conscientiously and carefully, and to arrive at such a conclusion as your honest judgment shall direct you and the evidence warrants, and to announce that conclusion, whatever it may be. This is an indictment, I may as well remark, in the first instance, against public officers. Now public officers charged with duties of this description, ministerial duties, if they are performed at night and under circumstances of turmoil, and to some extent of excitement, are entitled to a fair and liberal construction of their conduct. They are not to be judged partially. In all cases, civil or criminal, against public officers they are entitled to this fair and liberal construction. Especially are they not to be prejudged by any thing that may have been said in the opening of the District-Attorney which has not been proven; anything which may have been stated in the public newspapers, or any outside talk, or anything except what has been told here by witnesses from the stand. This is the only way in which the decision of the case is to be effected. The indictment is for fraudulently miscounting this vote, and the precise allegation is that these canvassers, being charged with the sworn duty of counting these votes correctly and honestly, miscounted the votes for Mr. CULLEN that he received, and consequently deprived Mr. AMBERMAN, the opposing candidate, of votes to which he was entitled. The burden of proof rests in the prosecution to show that the accused violated their oaths, and that they were engaged in a criminal offence. The Judge then read the evidence of HEGEMAN and SIMMONS, as taken down by the official reporter. On the part of the defence there is the testimony of the defendants themselves, who swear positively that they counted each package of ten as was represented to them, no way intending wrong except that the work was done slowly. The substance of the testimony of HEGEMAN, the other poll clerk, was that nothing occurred during the whole progress of counting the Assembly vote but what was right and square, but that at the commencement of that he saw HANNAN and MAYO count packages of five as ten. Other witnesses say that they saw the counting, and that they did not see anything wrong. In determining the credibility which should be given to the testimony, the situation of the parties should be taken into consideration. There was nothing directly against any of these witnesses. As for the defendants, the law has recently made them competent, and the jury will take their position into consideration. They are the only witnesses who can tell affirmatively and positively how the votes were rightly or wrongly counted. If their testimony is true it would appear that these votes were properly counted. There was no actual counting of the packages except by the canvassers themselves. The other witnesses were bystanders, and it is for the jury to say whether they may or may not have made mistakes. If it be that an unfavorable inference is to be drawn against these defendants, that there was no actual count of Mr. AMBERMAN's vote. But this, in the opinion of the Judge, was not unusual, if the canvass was an honest one; for knowing the whole number of votes and having counted the votes for one candidate, the balance was given to Mr. AMBERMAN. Such a course had been generally adopted in the earlier part of the canvass. It appears there was a general correspondence in the vote on this ticket with the other tickets. I believe I have presented all the evidence, both that of the prosecution and that by which the defendants seek to exculpate themselves from the charges. The jury will be upon the prosecution to satisfy you of the truth. No doubt, gentlemen, readier arises one opinion only. If you are satisfied, it is your duty to render a verdict of guilty; on the other hand, if you are not satisfied, it is your duty to give every to accused. The jury retired about 1 o'clock, and after an absence of half an hour entered and stated that they had agreed upon a verdict and that they found the prisoners guilty of the offence charged in the indictment.

THE CASE OF BUCKLEY AND BROWN.

The case of The People vs. JAMES BUCKLEY and GEO. M. BROWN was then called, and a jury were about to be impanelled when—

Mr. WINCHESTER BRITTON stated that his clients, who were charged with criminality in canvassing the votes in the Fourth District of the Twenty-first Ward, had been indicted under the statute which provides that the ballots should be canvassed without delay, recess or adjournment. They have given their reasons for not doing so, but it was hardly worth taking up the time of the Court and the jury with the details. We have therefore concluded to put in a plea of guilty under the indictment, and to ask a delay of the Court in passing sentence, to allow affidavits of facts to be given in mitigation of penalty. No fraud had been charged upon his clients. They had afterward counted the votes correctly, and were simply guilty of a technical informality. He believed that the utmost penalty that could be imposed was $75.

The District-Attorney claimed the right of putting in affidavits also. An evident intent to defraud had existed. The votes were finally canvassed under a mandamus.

Mr. JENKS thought they deserved some consideration for saving the Court the trouble of this case. He suggested frankly that he would rather pay the penalty himself than have to go over the trial.

The motion was granted, and a plea of guilty recorded.

Mr. BARROW then said that he had been served with a list of witnesses on three indictments, namely, that against the accused, who had just pleaded; that against McLAUGHLIN, indicted with THEPATRION, and that against LORIS and MONTIGNY. He wished to have it understood, that if the trial should night by Thursday, one of the accused for the defense was charged in a murder trial in another county.

Mr. BARROW said he was willing to go on with the case at once, and asked to have a jury impanelled.

Judge GILBERT said that, under the circumstances, there was reason for a short delay, and therefore the trial was adjourned to Monday.

THE DEMOCRATIC HAPPY FAMILY

Have Scenery, in the War for the Spoils—Resignation of Deputy Street Commissioner Tweed, and Appointment of his Successor.

The war between the various factions of the Democratic Party at Albany is having its effect here, and many district and ward leaders are felt by office-holders. The first result has been the resignation of Deputy Street Commissioner Tweed and the appointment of his successor. Mr. TWEED handed his resignation to Street Commissioner MCLEAN, in Albany, on Tuesday evening. Mr. MCLEAN brought the document down with him, and yesterday morning delivered it to Mayor HOFFMAN. Soon afterwards he appointed in place of Mr. TWEED, Mr. JOHN A. RODGERS. Mr. MCLEAN, on accepting the appointment of Street Commissioner, some three years ago, being asked whether he intended to accept the resignation of the Deputy, Mr. TWEED, then tendered to him, replied that he would not, at the time, be found a smarter man than TWEED. He has, apparently, now found that long sought for contingent in the person of Mr. JOHN A. RODGERS. The newly-appointed official is quite a young man. Most of his life has been passed in Wall-street, and for many years he was Mr. MCLEAN's confidential clerk. He has not mixed much in politics, but is said to be a very clever business man and especially capable of looking after the main chance.

The resignation of Mr. TWEED is due of course to the influence of the Tammany Democrac

sell, the Magistrate declining to grant him any special favors in the way of an arrangement for his release, or for commitment to a prison. More when we will come up for examination before the Board.

THE EXCISE BOARD.

Investigation of the Charges of Mal-Administration Continued.

The Board of Excise met yesterday at 1 o'clock P. M., Mr. MATHEES in the chair in consequence of the absence of the President, Mr. HENRY SMITH. Judge BOSWORTH offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Finance Committee of the Board of Excise report to the Board on the next Monday what officers of the Board of Health have on the reorganization of that Board been commissioned by the Board of Excise, and what duties have been performed by and officers appointed by the Board of Excise, the amount of their compensation in each case, and the amount per week with such compensation was recommended and adopted, and the salary of each of such officers of the Board of Health, and the names of all other persons who have been appointed for services rendered for the Board of Excise, and the amount of such compensation in each case, and the amount of such compensation in each case, and the amount per week, which has been allowed to any officer of the Board of Excise over and above the salary, and the date of such allowance in each case.

It was stipulated that in order to insure a more economical administration of the Excise law it was determined when these commissions were made, that the Commissioner of Health, Board of Health to do the clerical and other work of the Board of Excise, as far as possible, at a small additional compensation to their salaries as employes of the Board of Health. In offering the resolution, Judge BOSWORTH said he had been induced by an article in a morning paper reflecting upon the Board of Excise, and the manner in which it had been conducted by the Board, and the reason why he had offered the resolution was that the Board of Excise might be enabled to vindicate itself, which, he said, every one of the Board of Excise, he was sure, would have to do, if they have been guilty of any improper conduct, which he did not believe. He hoped the resolution would be adopted, and that the Board of Excise would be enabled to show that the charges made in the morning paper reflected on the Board of Excise, and that the Board of Excise had been improperly and unfairly treated. Judge BOSWORTH said he had been induced to offer the resolution in the morning paper reflected on the Board of Excise, and that the Board

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

EUROPE.

The trial of Prince BONAPARTE was continued at Tours yesterday. Among the witnesses for the prosecution were HENRI ROCHEFORT and a sister-in-law of the murdered man. The evidence was of a contradictory nature.... The Orleanists, it is said, applaud the letter of NAPOLEON to OLLIVIER, and one of the opposition organs accepts it as a "restoration of the parliamentary régime," while another terms it "an antidote to the *coup d'état* of December....The testimony given by the officers of the *Rowlay*, at Yokohama, has been received at London. It is said to be to the effect that no one on board the ship was aware of the condition of the *Oneida*, but great alarm was felt for the safety of their own vessel, and it was thought necessary to make for shoal water quickly....In the British House of Lords, on Tuesday night, the Coinage bill was passed through committee, and the Consolidated Fund bill to a second reading. In the Commons the Premier denied the Spanish rumor about the retrocession of Gibraltar to Spain. The bill for the enforcement of the laws in Ireland, after a long debate, was passed by a vote of 438 to 13....In a Lisbon dispatch it is stated that the *Warrior* had arrived in the Tagus, but bringing no tidings of the *City of Boston*....The Spanish "Unionists" are reported to be negotiating at Madrid for an alliance with the Radical Party.... Petitions against the proclamation of the infallibility dogma are said to be circulating in Switzerland.

CONGRESS.

In the Senate yesterday the debate on the report of the Judiciary Committee in the case of Gen. ADAMS, Senator elect from Mississippi, was continued, but no vote was reached. But little other business transacted. A bill was introduced to incorporate a Southern Express Company, and one passed incorporating the Columbia Railway Company in the District. At 5 P.M. the Senate adjourned.

In the House the debate in the Sutro tunnel case was concluded and the bill finally tabled by a vote of 139 to 41. The Consular and Diplomatic Appropriation bill was reported, amounting to $629,647 as against $1,110,784 last year. Bills were introduced among others providing for the removal of the Brooklyn Navy-Yard and authorizing the President to accept the resignation of any Judge of any United States Court. A message was received from the Executive in reference to the decline of American commerce, but it was withdrawn and laid on the Speaker's table. The consideration of the Utah Polygamy bill was resumed and after some further discussion, which resulted in the striking out of various objectionable sections, the bill was passed by a vote of 96 to 29. A recess was then taken until evening for debate on the Tariff, when Mr. HOLMAN advocated free trade, and spoke for two hours, and at a late hour the House adjourned.

THE STATE LEGISLATURE.

In the Senate, yesterday, among the bills reported was that requiring the Brooklyn and Union Ferry Companies to run boats in the night, which was recommitted. A bill authorizing the construction of an elevated railroad from the Battery to Harlem River, in New-York, was introduced. Also, one providing for the prosecuting of charges against attorneys and counselors. Among the bills passed was that amending the charter of St. Luke's Hospital, New-York. The Senate took a recess until evening.

In the Assembly an adverse report was made on the bill to remove the State Cabinet of Natural History to New-York, and the report was agreed to. A bill was reported granting $7,500 for each mile constructed of the Adirondack Railroad; another for the better protection of dealers in beer, &c., and the bills relating to the Canal Department and steam towage on canals. Bills were passed to enable the Working Women's Union to hold real estate to the amount of $100,000; to create additional wards in Troy; authorizing the erection of a hospital in the Twenty-ninth Ward of New-York; establishing the Brooklyn Citizens Guard; to license car conductors and drivers, and appointing a Public Administrator in New-York. A warrant for the arrest of SHEPHARD HOMANS, for refusing to appear as a witness in obedience to a subpœna, issued in Albany, was ordered. The FIELD-AINSWORTH Investigating Committee reported that Mr. FIELDS' statements were supported only by his own evidence, while that of Mr. AINSWORTH was corroborated by witnesses. The report is to be printed. A majority report was made in favor of repealing the law making appropriations for sectarian schools, and a minority report against it. Resolutions asking an investigation of alleged bribery in connection with the defeat of the New-York bills, were offered and laid over. The House adjourned.

GENERAL.

The carriage factory of J. Conrie, at Kingston, N. Y., was burned on Monday night. Loss $30,000.

The Superintendent of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad has been instructed to hold the western division of the road against the Dutchess and Columbia Railroad Company at all hazards.

A fire in Worcester, Mass., on Tuesday night, destroyed property valued at over $40,000.

Two cars on the Connecticut and Passumpsic Rivers Railroad were thrown down an embankment about noon yesterday, above Gratton, and ten passengers slightly injured.

At Buenos Ayres, South America, a severe commercial panic is reported. Several failures have already taken place, and others are expected.

The repair-shop of the Milwaukee and St. Paul Railway Company in Milwaukee was burned yesterday, with four locomotives and six box cars.

Gov. CLAFLIN, of Massachusetts, has appointed April 7 as the annual fast day in the State.

Mr. JAY GOULD, President of the Erie Railway, appeared before the Senate Committee on Railroads yesterday afternoon, at Albany, and made a long statement in reply to the argument of Mr. BURT, (the English attorney,) for the repeal of the Erie bill. His defense of the present management was an elaborate one, and full of statistical information.

A telegram from Halifax, N. S., says the object for which the steamer *City of Brussels* put into Halifax, a day or two ago, was not to obtain coal, but to land passengers suffering from small-pox in order to avoid quarantine at New-York.

The amount of Ex-Collector BAILEY's defalcation will not, it is thought from the examination which has been made of the books, exceed $125,000. No clew to his whereabouts has yet been obtained.

Mr. WM. M. TWEED sent in his resignation as Deputy Street Commissioner on Tuesday. It was accepted yesterday, and Mr. JOHN A. RODGERS appointed in his place.

A serious fire occurred yesterday morning at 9 o'clock in Grand-street, Brooklyn, E. D., between Third and Fourth. The fire originated in the chair factory of A. SCHELLAS, situated at No. 63. The fire rapidly spread, and for two hours raged with great fury. Before it was got under, nine different frame buildings of from two to three stories in height had succumbed to its power, and the entire damage to stock, furniture and buildings has been estimated at $19,500. The loss is for the most part covered by insurance.

Purser J. W. BENSEL, of the steam-ship *City of Mexico*, will accept our thanks for courtesies.

How Long will Congress Trifle with the People?

Nearly five months of the Congressional session have passed away, and still the one great political necessity of the hour is put aside as if it were of no interest to any human being on the continent. The burden of taxation is not reduced, and it seems to be thought that the people will be satisfied with the vague promises of relief which have been made from time to time. We have proved past all cavil that the present rate of taxation is immoderately high, and could be reduced with perfect safety to the country. The advocates of absurd theories about the national debt have either been compelled to keep silence, or forced to admit that the demand for a reduction of taxation is too loud and general to be resisted any longer. Our contemporaries in all parts of the country, with a heartiness and unanimity seldom displayed on any occasion, have joined with us in requiring of Congress immediate attention to this most urgent subject. Congress admits the justice of the appeal, but folds its arms in apathy, and wastes week after week in discussions on personal affairs, or on the pettiest questions which the ingenuity of triflers could possibly suggest.

We can scarcely suppose that any member of the Administration or of Congress can be so infatuated as to dream that the question of reducing the taxes will die out if left to itself. An idea of that kind could only be entertained by some one who was utterly unable to detect the drift of public sentiment, or to appreciate the practical hardships which the present taxes inflict on every man of moderate means each day of his life. This is not one of those subjects which can be quietly shelved or forgotten. It is pressed upon our attention constantly, and in a thousand different forms. The poor are pinched by the taxes almost beyond the limits of endurance. Hard-working men and women find themselves deprived of many small necessaries of life by the levies which are made upon them, in one way and another, by the tax-gatherer. Almost every thing they buy is dearer than it need be. Their children are made to suffer in order to gratify the delusion of doctrinaries that unless we pay off the national debt *now*, we shall never pay it off at all. The people are willing—they always have been willing—to assist the Government in its extremity. But is it not monstrous to tax a whole nation heavily for the sake of carrying out a blundering system of finance? Have we not made enormous sacrifices for posterity for years past? Is it too much to ask that the crushing load of taxation should now be very materially lessened? The President is understood to have been convinced by the evidence brought before him that the people earnestly, imperatively, desire relief from what almost amounts to financial oppression. Congress, it is true, rarely finds time to attend to the real wants of the public. It will waste any day in discussing polygamy, or the "case" of this General or the other—but as to applying itself to practical and useful work, it does not do it once a week. It seems to think that the votes of the people is not a thing worth paying any attention to in these days.

The procrastination to which this great subject is being sacrificed will imperil the very existence of the Republican Party, if the leaders are not very careful. We believe we shall go before the country under very unpopular conditions, if we return, after adjourning for the Summer, without having done anything to satisfy the reasonable demand for a reduction of taxation. The people will not always submit to be "put off" like children. They will have relief from taxation, if not from one party, from another. Four months have been frittered away already. Is not this enough to satisfy the greatest admirers of a Fabian policy? We can only once more warn Congress that further delays may exasperate the people in a way which no one need be anxious to witness. Shall we have to record the lapse of another week without a single step being taken toward a settlement of this question?

Slashing the Wool-Gatherers.

That portion of "ye fierce Democracie" which has lately been striving to gain admission to the feast of fat things so long enjoyed by a favored few in this City, came signally to grief, in the Legislature, on Tuesday. It has of late been tolerably evident that the insubordinates and malcontents of the party were selfishly seeking their own interests under a pretense of breaking down the "Ring" and asserting the will of the people in opposition to local government by commission. In pursuance of their object they have undertaken to remodel the Government of the City and County of New-York, and have pressed upon the Legislature a variety of bills for that purpose, prominent among which were a new City Charter, a bill to reorganize the Board of Supervisors, and a bill to remodel the Metropolitan Police system. All of these bills were avowedly of a strictly partisan character, and factional withal.

After repeated caucussings, and a careful canvass of strength, the bills in question were brought to a final vote, and one after another were remorselessly killed. The scene in the Assembly, as detailed by our reporter, was the liveliest of the session. The resulting blasphemy is said to have been double-leaded, and to have totally eclipsed the celebrated exploit of "our army in Flanders." It needs only that we should read the objurgations and charges of desertion that the party which were indulged in by the disappointed whippers-in of the *sot disant* "Young Democracy," to convince the unprejudiced reader that the mutinous members did right in killing the bills. Even if we did not know that those bills involved a fresh partisan raid upon the Government of the Metropolis, and an insidious assault upon the only barrier which now stands between the people and unrestricted lawlessness, we should know that the confusion of the wicked is the safety of the good.

There is special reason for congratulation over the defeat of the Police bill. Old residents of our City, who can recall the administration of affairs under FERNANDO WOOD, and can intelligently contrast it with the experience of the last thirteen years of independent, non-partisan Police administration, will need no argument on that point. In the interval our City has largely increased in population and extent, and in that lawlessness which needs independent and firm restraint. The demoralization of the present is far greater than it was then, and it is easy to picture in imagination what would be the result of returning to the old system, and putting our Police under the manipulations of corrupt municipal politicians. That it would be used for partisan purposes is best evidenced by the partisan character of the men who were most prominent in support of the new bill, and of the arguments used by them.

It is reasonably assured that the three bills which have now been defeated are effectually disposed of for the session. We do not apprehend that all the secret machinations and bluster which are reported will effect any material change of sentiment among the members. If they have any effect it is more likely to exasperate the representatives from the rural districts into a stubborn adherence in their opposition to the scheme. An analysis of the final votes shows that the Democrats who voted adversely are of a character that cannot easily be reached by corrupt means, and even if they were inclined to yield to temptation, the prominent identification they have received, and the unpleasant suspicions which would be justified by a change of position, would deter them. It is therefore fair to interpret the result as an overwhelming defeat of the so-called "Young Democracy," and it is clear that they feel it to be so. We are not surprised at the result, nor are we sorry. We desire to see the odious Ring of corrupt politicians, who have so long usurped the control of our municipal affairs, and who have maintained themselves by the most shameful frauds at the ballot-box, overthrown; but the demonstrations of the past few weeks at Albany have convinced us that as between the two factions of the Democracy there is but little to choose. From the beginning we had our misgivings of the entire reliability of the Anti-Ring faction. They made too great a parade of their special virtue, and it seemed to us that they "did protest too much." They went "wool-gathering," and they have "come back shorn."

"The Finance of New-York."

A writer in the *Galaxy* for April has an article with the above title, which is at once exceptionally good, and not good at all without certain exceptions. He predicts the speedy absorption by commerce of all that region of New-York lying below Forty-fifth-street, and forcibly shows where, in the nature of things, an immense business must be done. It lacks the breadth for expansion which London and Philadelphia possess, and the down-town *sta e large* of trade will crowd out the brown-stone mansions of Murray Hill and the avenues, and make them the haunts of trade as they now are of fashion and social enjoyment.

Certainly he is right thus far. Mr. WILLIAM B. ASTOR only a few years ago named all below Fourteenth-street as sure to be given up, in the future, to trade. The event is already upon us, and much of the comparison which the writer draws between our own growth and that of London, describes a process more rapid than Mr. ASTOR predicted. We agree with him that the Central Park [illegible] active and be truly central to the business and population of New-York. But in all his arguments he assumes that the details of the district, and which are merely continuous the miserable inconveniences of a journey from Wall-street up town, he seems to suppose that all the business and ordinary travel must run in, or parallel to Broadway. In that we hold him to be wrong. If he is right, underground, surface and elevated railroads will be insufficient, especially if Westchester County is to be the only home of the New-York merchant or business man.

That it will grow in that direction, and most rapidly, we do not question. Even a financial crisis will hardly check its progress, as that of 1857 did not. But with all the room there is in Westchester, the route by which people must pass to and from town is far too narrow, and New-York must and does expand laterally as well as longitudinally. The fact is the best argument, and the aggregate of the predilections of the masses of the people, as exhibited in their present tendencies, shows that while the upper part of the island has the superior attraction, it is too costly and reached with too many difficulties for the use of the middle classes, and is only to be developed by a wealth sufficient to grade its high hills, blast out its enormous boulders, and then build upon the rocky surface left. If ferries are so intolerable as we are told in newspaper hyperbole, then the many scores of thousands who crom to Brooklyn or Jersey City every day have small appreciation of comfort or economy, and in investing their money in New-Jersey or on Long Island have betrayed a gross incomprehension of their situation.

The New-Jersey shore has fewer immediate advantages than Long Island. The belt of lowland between the North River and Bergen Heights might be made available, were it not cross-barred by railroads with ever-moving trains. The Heights are a little too much like living on a ladder. Beyond them lie the salt meadows; but still beyond are the pleasant hills and valleys of Essex and Union Counties, and the cosy homes of Morris. The railroads which monopolize the Jersey City flats cross or tunnel the Heights, and within an hour of the City Hall there are vacant lands enough—and charmingly located—to accommodate a million of the well-to-do class with homes, with a hundred railroad trains running daily from the different ferries to speed the traveler to his destination.

New-York must expand laterally as well as to the north. Brooklyn and New-Jersey are both natural suburbs, and if we are ever to have a comfortable way of getting to Harlem, it had better be found before the lateral expansion has lessened its necessity. However, there is room enough for all, and all will be wanted when we include, in fact if not in name, a population crowding a radius of twelve miles from the City Hall.

Two Methods of Treating Crime—An Example from Ohio.

There is always danger, in discussing the subject of crime and criminals, that society will form its impressions from a few notorious examples, and condemn all who bring themselves under the penalties of the law as social outcasts and public enemies. In one sense they certainly are, but in one sense only. There is a very wide difference between the professional burglar or footpad or counterfeiter and the poor wretch who, from moral feebleness or the pressure of some necessity, commits an act which consigns him to the jailer's custody. There is the criminal class, which is at once a terror and a pest. It is the problem of philanthropists, who have studied it only with disappointment as a result. To this day, eminent writers and observers differ as to whether it ever can be reclaimed. It baffles moral teaching because, apparently, there is no capacity for understanding morality. It accepts villainy as its appointed sphere and business in life. It recognizes the liability to punishment, but regards punishment only as an item of industrial profit and loss.

What good thing can be manufactured out of such material has not yet been discovered. But there is other material which will repay the labor and care expended upon it. The number of human beings whose instincts are not all bad, but who fall into errors which bring them to the policeman's grasp and the Judge's stern decree, is very large in proportion to the aggregate of convictions. And it is these who claim some sympathy as well as some chastening. Nay, may it not even be said that they have remaining to them some rights? They pay a stated penalty for their misdeeds, but are not others inflicted upon them by which they are hardened into worse crimes than their first, or driven to utter despair? The law deals with one set of facts in judging this class. A certain act has been committed, a certain person is responsible. The prescribed consequence follows it. The guilty individual is placed under restraint—shut up for a period. Was it at the same time intended that the worst influences—those which are almost certain to confirm a tendency to evil—should be his inevitable companions? Whether or not, it does so happen. The offender, so perhaps for the first time, is too frequently placed among those who have taken high degrees in crime, and who by cajolery, ridicule, or threats, do all within their power to make him like themselves.

The Prison Association of this State is trying to change this too common attribute of prison life, and it is to be hoped will not be obstructed in the effort. Other States have done something in the same direction. A bill has just been introduced in the Ohio Legislature which calls for special notice, contemplating as it does some extremely wise reforms. The proposition is to establish a House of Discipline, in which offenders may, under certain conditions of character and prospect of amendment, be placed. Inmates of the old prison will be transferred to it. Disfranchisement and disability as witnesses are not to follow confinement within its walls. The prisoners are to be classified in three divisions, according to [illegible] A. Hungry, [illegible] school, [illegible] and advantages of [illegible] are to be provided. And, what is of the last importance, navigation by society is to be rendered possible. The plan is one worthy of the heartiest commendation. It is as economically wise as it is humane. If the examples were followed wherever prisons are necessary, the broad distinction between the erring from misfortune or weakness of the moral nature—weakness incident to untrained growth and impure surroundings—and the desperate, careless, incorrigible criminals upon whom effort has been spent in vain, would be understood and acted upon. The best criminal legislation is that which proceeds upon the theory that there is more good than evil in poor humanity; and the worst is that which administers correction in what is at best a spirit of cruelty and revenge.

The Connecticut Election.

The annual State election in Connecticut occurs on Monday, April 4. Thus far the canvass has been conducted with moderation on both sides, no exciting issues of a local nature having arisen. The Republicans, however, are in earnest, and the prospect of their success seems encouraging. So far as the respective platforms of the two parties can make it so, the contest is put squarely upon the national issues between Republicanism and Democracy, the former championing the policy of Congress, and the latter asserting, with Bourbonic obstinacy, the doctrine of State sovereignty, resistance to reconstruction and the Fifteenth Amendment, and obstruction generally. It would seem to be rather late in the day to be contending for such accomplished issues, and we can only account for it by recalling the past, and assuming that Connecticut Democracy of to-day is the ghost of the Hartford Convention.

The following are the tickets which have been put in nomination:

	Republican.	Democratic.
Governor	Marshall Jewell.	James E. English.
Lieut.-Gov.	Morris Tyler.	Julius Hotchkiss.
Sec. of State	Hiram Appleman.	Thomas M. Waller.
Treasurer	David P. Nichols.	Charles M. Pond.
Controller	James W. Manning.	Seth S. Logan.

In addition to the above, a new Legislature is to be chosen, to consist of twenty-one Senators and 238 members of the lower House. The present Senate consists of fourteen Republicans and seven Democrats; and the House of 130 Republicans and 108 Democrats. The State administration is Republican, having been elected last year by majorities ranging from 411 on Governor, to 2,200 on other candidates. The contest for Governor was between the same candidates last year as now, and was very active and close. It is thought that this year Gov. JEWELL's majority will be materially increased. If the recent result in New-Hampshire is to be accepted as a reliable indication of political sentiment in New-England it may safely be counted upon that the scepter has passed from the Democracy in its ancient stronghold.

What is the Senate doing, or proposing to do, with Gen. BUTLER's resolution, which the House adopted unanimously, rectifying the decision of the Commissioner of Internal Revenue in the matter of interest paid on homestead mortgages? The official interpretation of the law is so odious and untenable, that there should be no hesitancy in correcting it. The resolution should be passed while the income tax assessment is in progress.

The country papers are making a good deal of capital out of some recent incidents which they take to be characteristic of "life in New-York." They say that ruffianism was never more general in any city than it is here at the present moment—which we will hope is an exaggeration. They also ask us whether the tone of the public journals in New-York is what we should desire to see infused into every newspaper throughout the country? These taunts are not altogether unprovoked, for it must be admitted that certain features of our City life are passing through a very deplorable phase. The mendacity and malignity of some journalists have probably never been equaled, and even those who ought to know better are not above fabricating all sorts of slanders about their neighbors. But, in the end, curses of that kind come home to roost, and the public are seldom deluded by the interested misstatements of rivals. As for the ruffianism of the City, we shall get rid of that when a few men like JACK REYNOLDS are weeded out of the community.

Doubts have been expressed regarding the feasibility of tunneling the East and North Rivers. There is, however, no question of the practicability of doing either with competent civil engineers. When such men as Mr. GAMOND and HAWKSHAW concur in the opinion that the British Channel can be tunneled, and the preliminary operations are actually in operation, there need be no great fear of lines that present no insuperable geological difficulties, and the length of either of which compared with the width of the Straits of Dover is but as one to eighteen. There were plenty of people before the time of the lamented ROEBLING, to doubt the possibility of bridging the East River. Nevertheless, not only this bridge, but the longer one at Cornwall, will become in a few years accomplished facts.

Our ancient maligner, *Blackwood's Magazine*, prints an article on the antipathies of race in America, which, in addition to the usual bitter feeling, is characterized by some preposterous blunders. So far as our treatment of the Indian tribes goes it will compare not unfavorably with British treatment of the aboriginals of Australia or New-Zealand, and we are not aware that President GRANT's recent humane proposition—to assign to them an immense area of land and let them form for themselves a separate Territorial Government—has ever had a parallel in any plan, official or otherwise, advanced by British statesmen. *Blackwood* should read the account of Mr. JAMES BONWICK, formerly Inspector of Schools in Victoria, of the absolute extinction by his countrymen of the unhappy natives of Tasmania. There assuredly is no American beam to set against this British mote.

The trial of Prince PIERRE BONAPARTE at Tours goes on with vivacity, like a "passage of arms"—the Judges and witnesses holding occasional colloquies, the lawyers making side-issues, the prisoner starting up to asseverate, and the gendarmes taking prominent parts in the legal melée, and managing the exits and the entrances. The Prince's vehement assertion that MILLIGAN [illegible] him, say more than did his witnesses who tried to prove the "conclusion of some they evidently proved too much, while the former who commanded the face said he did not see anything of a conflict. The testimony is rather against the prisoner, and he evidently relies on some "conservative" show of a design to insult and provoke him in his own house. His best chance is in the petulant vivacity of the prosecution; but it is not easy to see how he can get off without a fine, or some short imprisonment. A clear acquittal might spoil the effect of the recent Imperial manifesto.

We learn that the vessels sent out from British ports to search for the *City of Boston*, have all returned with the report that no trace can be found of the missing vessel. This fact must necessarily tend still further to discourage our hopes of ever hearing of her again. But who can tell how many vessels have really seen the *City of Boston* while in distress, and refused to give her any assistance? It has always been a consolation to passengers by steam-ships, in time of trouble, to remember that they were on a well-defined track, and would certainly be seen if they needed help. But drifting men will never be able to cling to that straw after what we have lately heard. The rule seems to be to get away from a ship in distress as quickly as possible. How many Capt. BYRNES can the English mercantile marine really boast of?

Some people seem to think that the Suez Canal is only practicable for vessels of comparatively small size, and that consequently its commercial advantages will be proportionately limited. This is a mistake. Even now, in the absence of contemplated improvements, any craft drawing less than twenty feet of water can get through. Of course, this would not answer for the *Great Eastern*; but ships like the *Scotsman*, the *Queen of the South* and the *Minnehaha*, of 2,618, 2,007 and 2,140 tons respectively, passed through some time ago. The depth of the canal, as originally designed, is to be twenty-six feet.

It will be seen from a report in another column that the international yacht race, to take place in July next, has already excited deep interest and attention. Commodore J. G. BENNETT, Jr., has received every encouragement to proceed with his enterprise, and many distinguished citizens have united in giving him their heartiest good wishes. The great body of the public will cordially re-echo these friendly expressions, and will fully expect to see Mr. BENNETT return the victor over his English antagonist next Summer. But if he should fail, their appreciation of his energy and spirit will be equally high—and thus stimulated by the applause of his countrymen, he may afterward apply himself to a profession and a career which might well satisfy the loftiest ambition.

The advocates of a policy of coercion in Ireland will probably be satisfied for the present with Mr. GLADSTONE's concessions to their demands. We cannot but suppose that it is against his will that he has consented to revert to tactics which have already embittered the Irish people, and given rise to the agitation now so quickly resented. Both parties have united in clamoring for "repressive measures," and a bill introduced to carry out their ideas was passed by 435 votes to 15. The minority probably represents a few sincere Liberals and one or two Irish members. The rule of the bayonet has had a very full trial in past times, and we see what it has produced. Can Mr. GLADSTONE or anybody else really suppose that it is destined to bring about happier results in the future?

It is satisfactory to find that our anti-Jesuit exposing the designs of the Catholics to break up the Common Schools have alarmed the conspirators. A week ago they were defiant and audacious—today they find it expedient to fall back on their old device of pretending they never meant any harm. It is always the way. "Down with the schools," we hear them calling out, until they have provoked resistance—and then they are sorry they were not more cautious. Said the Tablet of March 19: "There is nothing for it but to break up the Common Schools." Yesterday the same paper thought better of it. "We do not want," it said, "to break up the Common Schools." We ought to be very much obliged to them. But in the meantime this maneuver ought not to throw us off our guard, or to lessen in any degree the determination of the people never to surrender a privilege which is so well worth fighting for as anything we possess.

The trick of misquoting printed opinions becomes rather flagrant now and then, and the perpetrators, whether doctors, publishers or managers, deserve to be rapped over the knuckles. A notice of an American novel lately appeared in the *Saturday Review*, wherein, by an obvious misprint, the word "superior" was printed instead of "inferior." The whole tenor of the article showed most distinctly that the latter word was intended to be used, and not the former. Nevertheless, the American publisher has spread the sentence containing it far and wide as an encomium on the book. This is not the only instance of the kind to which attention might be drawn; but we forbear for the present, in hopes the offenders will see the error of their ways and amend.

Crop Prospects in Georgia—The Labor Question.

From the Savannah (Ga.) Republican, March 18.

Beyond the mere preparation of the soil for seeding, we are unable to say anything favorable of the crops in Georgia. In the low country, on the rice and sea island cotton plantations, there is a deficiency of labor and much less in cultivation, as compared with last year. In fact, the labor is diminishing in quantity and deteriorating in quality year after year, and if some remedy should not be found, the cultivation of these valuable products will, in a great measure, be abandoned. Many of the finest rice plantations on the Ogeechee and Altamaha have already been given up, or turned over to the negroes, which is about the same thing. So far as cultivation goes this year, the lands have been very well prepared, but planting of all kinds has been greatly retarded by the cold spells, which continue to occur from time to time. The rice planters on the rivers have great apprehensions from the freshets now coming down upon them, and no doubt great delay, if not serious damage, will result. The crops of both rice and cotton are obliged to be smaller than those of last year. In Southern Georgia and Florida considerable corn has been planted, but in view of the weather it might as well be out of the ground.

In the interior of the State the labor is far better and more under the control of planters, but the complaint of scarcity is universal, and, as a necessary consequence, the area of land cultivated will be considerably less than it was last year. On the other hand, much of the deficiency will be made up, should the seasons be favorable, by the use of fertilizers, which have been bought to an extent that has no parallel in the past history of our agriculture. The preparation of the ground is reported excellent, but the season for planting backward. It is usual for the crops of corn to be in by the 10th or 15th of March, and we doubt if one planter in fifty has yet put a seed in the earth, while the little that is in will have a struggle to get through after the heavy rains all over the State Saturday and Sunday last, followed by severe weather and high March winds. Cotton planting will hardly commence with the great body of the planters before the 1st, or perhaps the 15th of April.

With these circumstances attending the commencement of operations, the reader will form his own opinion of the probable results.

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A West Point A. Stewart Professor of the Military Academy—Resignation of the Military Superintendent—Resignation of the Sutlership—Proposals Wednesday Night—The Secretary's Friends Rejoicing.

From Our Own Correspondent.

ALBANY, Wednesday, March 23, 1870.

Business was dull in both branches of the Legislature today. The Senate met into Executive Session again, but did not take up the appointments of Harbor Masters and Port Wardens. Doubt is expressed whether the list, as a whole, or even any part thereof, will be confirmed by the Senate. Much dissatisfaction is expressed with some of the appointments on the score of the previous political and moral character of the appointees.

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The O'Brien Democracy maintain a bold front after their Waterloo defeat in the Assembly yesterday, and deny that they are either demoralized or disheartened. On the contrary they announce their intention to renew the war with redoubled fury. It is now to be a genuine "war to the knife" and no humbug jack-knife affair—bitter, uncompromising and personal. They have commenced by knocking off the official head of Grand Sachem TWEED, whose dismissal from the office of Deputy Street Commissioner was written out within ten minutes after the defeat of the Anti-Ring measures yesterday. They now give out that PETER B. SWEENY shall be removed from the office of City Chamberlain in less than two weeks, but how this is to be accomplished they do not state. He receives his appointment from the Mayor and is confirmed by the Board of Aldermen; but by an act of the Legislature of 1862 he can be removed only by the Governor, and on written charges of malfeasance, which are not likely to be made. O'BRIEN and his gang will now turn their backs on the Legislature which has treated them so shabbily, and go back to New-York, where they propose to make their appeal to the rank and file of the unterrified. They will bring the quarrel before the next Tammany General Committee, where they will charge TWEED and his colleagues with using the money robbed from the taxpayers of New-York to defeat Democratic legislation at Albany. Next November they propose to decide the question at the ballot-box on the election of Mayor, Controller and Sheriff; and as they control the ballot-box under the present election laws they feel confident of success. The programme of the O'Brien Democracy, as far as agreed upon at the present writing, is as follows: The leaders of the new Democracy, who are to constitute the new Ring and do the brain work, are to be CREAMER, of "howling parson" fame; Hon. JOHN FOX, Supervisor HATS, Senator GERRY and GEORGE PURDY, while Sheriff O'BRIEN, MIKE NORTON, and their crowd of roughs and rowdies are to execute the decrees of the new Ring at the polls. CREAMER is to have the office of Mayor (if he can get it.) McLEAN is to remain Street Commissioner, Hon. JOHN FOX is to be Sheriff, and Senator GERRY, who was to have been at the head of the Department of "Public Works" if the O'Brien charter had passed, is to be Controller. This is the programme, and if no law is passed by the present Legislature to protect the ballot-box and secure honest elections in New-York it will be carried out.

THE DEMORALIZED POLICE.

Those members of the Metropolitan Police force who have been riding a "high horse" and neglecting their duty under the expectation that the present Commission was to be abolished, will do well to return to their beat instanter. The anticipated legislation that was to change their masters and put them under the control of the O'Brien Democracy, had already demoralized a large part of the force and furnished an inkling of what kind of a Police New-York would have got, if the bills had passed yesterday.

SWEENY'S FRIENDS.

The fight of the Democratic factions has also been useful in showing Mr. PETER B. SWEENY and his colleagues who were their real friends, and who were only time-servers. While there was a prospect that the Young Democracy would be successful, the desertions from the SWEENY ranks were going on at a fearful rate, but now there will probably be a general scramble to get back into the fold. Politics furnishes a rich field for the development of human nature.

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would not work were they put from which was given, and amendments to the Bill were adopted, and among the general orders.

The bill to amend the Revised Statutes was passed.

The friends of the Arcade Railway had a hearing before the Senate Railroad Committee yesterday, and will have another before the House Committee shortly. Mr. Alexander Smith explained the plan of the road in all its details, and Engineers McAlpin, Viele, Haswell and others informed the project as not only feasible but promising a great public benefit on Broadway property owners, as well as upon the City, State and country at large. This road appears to be the most popular of any scheme for underground transit in New-York, and will probably pass the Legislature by a large majority.

NOMINATIONS CONFIRMED.

The Senate, in executive session today, confirmed the following nominations:

Sidney Davis, Jr., New-York, to be a Hall Commissioner; Benjamin Wood, Albany, R. H. Shackleford, Chattanooga, Gilbert L. Dayton, Dayton, to be Commissioners of Public Accounts; Francis Kernan, Utica, E. Oakley Vanderpoel, Albany, Samuel Campbell, New-York Mills; Palmer V. Kelsey, Utica; James Watson, Williamson, to be Commissioners of the Land Office; Amasa J. Parker, Albany; Montgomery H. Throop, New-York; Francis Kernan, Utica, to be Commissioners to revise the Statutes.

The Latest News—Additional Changes in the Street Department—Plans and Views of the New Commissioner.

Special Dispatch to the New-York Times.

ALBANY, March 23.—Street Commissioner McLean, at the instigation of the O'Brien Democracy, has followed up the decapitation of Grand Sachem Tweed by today removing Henry Smith and E. D. Farrow from the offices of Collector of Assessments in his department. The ousted officials laugh at the spite that instigates such petty revenge, and say that it is an additional evidence of the utter lack of brains or common sense among the leaders of the new Democracy. It has been suggested that the Street Department may be entirely done away with before the close of the session, and a Department of Public Works substituted in its stead. There is talk also of legislating the present Board of Aldermen out of office and electing a new Board on a general ticket. The O'Brien crowd say they are determined to make the Ring show their hand on local self-government in some shape or other, and all sorts of schemes for a new charter are being talked of and canvassed, but they will amount to nothing, and the Government of New-York City will most likely remain as it is for another year. There is a good opportunity now, however, to carry through a bill to prevent frauds on the Ballot-box, as the safety of the Ring lies just now in that direction.

STATE LEGISLATURES.

SENATE....ALBANY, March 23.

The following bills were reported:

To fix the compensation of the Stenographer in the Courts of Kings County; to amend the act relative to the sale of tickets on steam-boats and vessels; to incorporate the Trade Savings Bank of New-York; to repeal the Savings Bank law of 1869; to amend the charter of the Broadway Savings Institution; to amend the act to incorporate the Union Trust Company of New-York; to authorize the Flushing and North Side Railroad to construct a draw-bridge over Flushing Creek; to preserve the shell-fish in South Bay, in Suffolk County; to require the Brooklyn and Union Ferry Companies to run certain boats in the night time—recommitted.

The following were introduced:

For an elevated railroad in New-York from the Battery to Harlem River; to enable corporations created by the laws of the State to avail themselves of privileges granted by the laws of other States; authorizing the Circuit Courts and Oyer and Terminer to regulate the attendance of additional Jurors; to provide for prosecuting charges against attorneys and counsel-at-law, rendering them unfit to practice in Courts; relating to the Supreme Court; to the conveying property by married women; enabling Richmond County to lay out a public park; relative to filing statements of affairs by foreign insurance companies; to amend the act relative to extending streets in Brooklyn to East River.

The following were passed:

Amending the charter of the National Trust Company of New-York; amending the charter of St. Luke's Hospital, New-York; to authorize the dissolution of benevolent and missionary societies upon payment of their debts; to incorporate the Metropolitan Museum of Art; to extend the act for the protection of the planting of oysters in Queens County; amending the act for the completion of Gowanus Canal in Brooklyn; relating to the act for the improvement of Union-street, Brooklyn; in relation to safe deposit companies.

The bill to amend the charter of the Insurers' Indemnity Company of New-York was lost, and a motion to reconsider the vote was tabled.

MISCELLANEOUS BUSINESS.

The President announced as a select committee to investigate the affairs of the Ogdensburg and Champlain Railroad, Messrs. C. F. Norton, Hubbard and Thayer.

Mr. Bradley presented a monster petition for the Pneumatic Transit Company to build an underground railroad in New-York.

The Senate then took a recess until 7½ o'clock this evening.

EVENING SESSION.

Mr. Tweed reported for consideration the Senate bill, to consolidate the City and County of New-York.

Mr. Hubbard introduced a bill to amend the act for the publication of session laws in two papers in each county.

The following bills were ordered to a third reading:

Incorporating the Staten Island Bridge Company; providing for the election of Receiver of Taxes in Morrisania; incorporating the Society for promoting life insurance among clergymen.

Adjourned.

ASSEMBLY.

The following bills were reported:

To remove the State Cabinet of Natural History to New-York—adversely agreed to; appropriating moneys from the United States Deposit Fund to academies—adversely; also, to aid and encourage the construction of railroads, appropriating $1,000 per mile constructed for consideration of the House; granting $7,500 per mile, constructed, of the Adirondack Railroad; for relief of the surviving members of the Militia Volunteers of 1812; relative to the sale by retail dealers of beer, &c., in New-York; relative to the trial of libels; to protect canal and other funds belonging to the State; relative to the Canal Department; to authorize Emigrant Aid Company to steam towage on canals; amending the charter of the New-York Fire Department Benevolent Fund; incorporating the New-York Sale Deposit Company; for the further relief of Soldiers and Veterans of 1812; providing for licensing engineers.

The following were passed:

Incorporating the Friendship Association of the City of New-York; amending the charter of the Working Women's Union, authorizing it to hold real estate to the amount of $100,000; making fees payable in dollars and cents, instead of pounds and shillings; accelerating payment of taxes by railroads; making it the duty of supervisors to fix assessments, except in New-York and Kings Counties; incorporating the Eastern District Sewing Machine Company; to create certain wards in the City of Troy; to erect a public market in the Thirteenth Ward, New-York. Reconsidered and passed; Authorizing the Common Council of Brooklyn to license car conductors and drivers; changing the name of Hope School, Brooklyn; conferring jurisdiction on the District Courts of New-York; appointing a public administrator for New-York; relative to Bergen Neighborhood in Flushing; regulating the rate of interest charged by pawnbrokers; providing for the acknowledgment of deeds and other writings by persons residing in Canada.

ANOTHER VETO.

The Governor returned the bill to amend the Town Insurance act, as affecting the North and East Greenbush Fire Insurance Company, with his objections thereto. He said it was simply the bill providing special legislation, which could be obtained by general law. The message was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

A REFRACTORY WITNESS.

Mr. Fields reported that the Sergeant-at-Arms had served a subpœna on Shepard Homans, Actuary of the Life Insurance Company of New-York, to appear here as a witness, but that said Homans had refused to appear; therefore, that the Speaker issue a warrant for his arrest. Adopted.

THE FIELDS-AINSWORTH INVESTIGATION.

Mr. Littlejohn, from the Select Committee to investigate the charges made by Mr. Fields against Mr. Ainsworth, and vice versa, submitted a written report of the evidence taken. They say that the charges made by Mr. Fields is sustained only by his own evidence, while that of Mr. Ainsworth is sustained by several witnesses. The report was ordered to be printed.

SECTARIAN SCHOOLS.

Mr. Flagg reported a bill repealing the clause making appropriations to sectarian schools in New-York. A minority report adverse to the bill, was also made. The report was laid on the table to be printed.

BENNETT—THE NEW-YORK MILLS.

Mr. Mitchell offered the following:

Whereas, It is alleged that through the instrumentality and influence of certain prominent Democrats, connected with quasi Republicans of the City of New-York, large sums of money have been raised for the purpose of employing counsel to defeat the measures introduced by Democratic members for the purpose of restoring to the people of the City of New-York their chartered rights; and, whereas, one of the corrupt Committees of Inquiry of a previous Legislature, known as the said resolutions, the Board of Metropolitan Police and the Board of Supervisors of the County of New-York, made the act "Concerning the local government of the City of New-York; and

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[illegible] Bennett, Jr., by Commodore Stevens, of the New-York Yacht Club, in connection with Messrs. Frank and George Osgood. Mr. Bennett is shortly to sail for England in order to prepare for the great international yacht race between the *Dauntless* and the *Cambria*—an event in yachting annals unequalled in interest since the celebrated race in which the *America* was victorious. A more select company could scarcely have been assembled than that which was brought together at the Union Club to testify their appreciation of the renown which Mr. Bennett has won as a yachtsman, and some of the qualities which have rendered him so popular in the community. Gentlemen of great social distinction, or occupying leading professional positions, readily met together at the call of Commodore Stevens, whose reputation for hospitality is as great as that of Mr. Bennett for pluck and spirit as a yachtsman. The following were among the guests: Mayor Hall, Judge Blatchford, Judge Pierrepont, Judge Sedford, Recorder Hackett, E. W. Stoughton, Thomas Seward and Andrew H. Green, Esqs.; Major-Gen. W. B. Hazen and Major Busby, of the *Evening Mail*; Commodores Kingsland, Lawrence Jerome, J. G. Kane, Richard Schell, C. H. Robbins, H. Babcock, R. Stuyvesant, R. B. Forbes, J. S. Houseau, T. B. Buckley, Mahlon Sands, A. Major and H. Morton, Esqs.

After dinner Commodore Stevens, in proposing the health of Mr. Bennett, reminded the company of the distinguished part he had taken in yachting enterprise. He had not only won great honors, but he had worn them modestly, and had certainly done more for the New-York Yacht Club than any other member. He had used his great means freely for the encouragement of a noble sport, and had ever acted toward his competitors as if he desired to bind them cordially to him, and to lead them to long earnestly for his success in the approaching contest. It was, indeed, a contest of national importance, and it was impossible that there could be an American anywhere who would not send his hearty good wishes after the gallant adventurer who, he was sure, all would not hope to welcome him back in triumph next July.

The toast was received by the company with repeated rounds of applause, after which Mr. Bennett returned thanks in a speech which proved the justice of the Commodore's reference to his modesty. He acknowledged that he had taken a great interest in yachting, but protested that he had received more than his share of praise. He was determined, however, to sustain to the utmost of his power, the high repute which American yachtsmen enjoyed all over the world. He had a very high compliment to Mr. Frank Osgood and Mr. George Osgood, and hoped that their services in the cause in which they were all interested would never be overlooked. With respect to the forthcoming contest, he referred in kindly terms to Mr. Ashbury, of the *Cambria*, and said he desired nothing better than that the best yacht would win the race. After referring in an interesting manner to some leading events in the recent history of yachting, Mr. Bennett concluded amid great and repeated applause, by proposing the health of Mr. Douglas, owner of the *Sappho*.

Mr. Lawrence Jerome then paid a very earnest tribute to Vice-Commodore Bennett, and said the public could not know how many great sacrifices that gentleman had made in the cause of yachting. After a social hour spent of the evening, Mr. Jerome greatly amused the company by his humorous observations in the events of the evening, and his allusions to the yacht races of the last two or three years.

The health of Mayor Hall was proposed by Commodore Stevens, and very heartily responded to. In reply, the Mayor made a very witty speech, in the course of which he touched off very happily the characteristics of most of the gentlemen present. This delicate task was accomplished with so much grace and good humor that no one enjoyed the pointing just more than the object of it. At a late hour, when the Mayor was received with a burst of applause.

Among other admirable speeches in reply to toasts, were those of Judge Blatchford, Judge Bedford, District-Attorney Pierrepont, Mr. Clarence Seward, Mr. Frank Osgood and Mr. C. H. Strebeigh. After an evening which will long be remembered by all who were present, the company separated, with many renewed expressions of kindly feeling and good will toward Mr. Bennett.

Sale of Pictures at Barker's Gallery.

Last evening the first of two nights' sale of paintings commenced at Barker's gallery in Broadway. The event of the evening was the sale of Hendrick Schaefel's "Great Battle of Walcheron," which was started at $1,000, and slowly run up to $2,350, at which price Mr. Hazeltine became its possessor. "The Italian Mendicants," a large and very fine painting by Le Forte, brought only $500. The remainder of the catalogue sold as follows: "Lake George," by Fuchsel, $210; "The Pleasure Party," by Lansing, $205; "The Two Sisters," by Eastman Johnson, (pencil drawing,) $120; "Hudson River," by J. O. Eaton, $175; "Young Artist," by Toussaint, $110; "Landscape," by Van Lemputten, $450; "Sunday Morning," by Bodec, $500; "Landscape," by Kensett, $225; "Feeding the Pets," by Leslie, $135; "The Indolent Scholar," by Widmayer, $325; "Sunset on Grand Manan," by William Hart, $215; "The Cavalcade," by F. A. Bridgman, $105; "Morning Prayer," by Geerts, $225; "Still Life," by L. Schaefels, $260; "Landscape," by Kock-Koek, $165; "Italian Pilgrims," by Hayman, $225; "The Warrior's Story," by Backmolwicz, $115; "In the Woods," by J. G. Brown, $60.

The sale of this evening will comprise Van Lerius' "Esmeralda," Pauwel's "Egeocalo," and many other works of merit.

Frightful Situation of a Lady—She is Exposed all Night to a Severe Gale.

From the San Francisco Bulletin, March 11.

A very singular and very painful occurrence took place at Point Lobos on Wednesday. Mrs. White, whose husband drives one of the omnibuses on the Point Lobos road, left her house at 10 o'clock on Wednesday morning to go to the beach to procure some mussels for cooking. In going down the cliff or embankment, which is very high and abrupt, she descended part way and found herself in a position from which she could neither advance or retreat. It was impossible to get either up or down, and impossible to call sufficiently loud for help to make herself heard. As she designed to go but a short distance from the house, and as the weather was fine, she had started out without either shawl or bonnet, and had not even told Mrs. Cotter, with whom she was living, where she was going. After an absence of several hours Mrs. Cotter became alarmed and a search was instituted, but she could not be found. Mr. White was absent and knew nothing of the circumstances until evening. On his return the search was renewed and kept up all night. Daylight came and brought no tidings of the missing woman. At about 11½ o'clock yesterday afternoon Mrs. White was discovered in her perilous position in a recess among the cliffs, nearly three hundred feet down. Wednesday night was one of the most cold and disagreeable of the season. The wind blew a terrific gale, and in the morning a heavy shower of rain fell. How any human being could have lived through the night in such an exposed position is a mystery. Mrs. White was discovered by Patrick Cotter, who descended, and at very great risk to himself, succeeded in carrying the inanimate body to a place of safety. During the night those who were engaged in the search were several times within [illegible]

[illegible] Gen. Lewis Cass died in the year 1866, at Detroit, leaving a fortune of about two million dollars. He commenced life in New-Hampshire so poor that his mother rocked him in a saptrough for want of a cradle; and he never threw off the feeling of poverty thus early impressed upon his mind. His last years were clouded with the fear that his family would come to want, and he left not a dollar to any public or charitable object.

Cass laid the foundation of his fortune while in the public service as Territorial Governor from 1813 to 1831. He received a handsome salary regularly in gold coin, and for a part of the time he got double pay as Indian Commissioner and Governor both. We think he richly earned all he received for his wise and successful labors in the development of our "beautiful Peninsula."

But most of Cass's money was made on a farm of about 200 acres, which he bought within the limits of Detroit, lying only four blocks west of the new City Hall and extending from the River back one mile or more. He purchased this farm about the year 1816 or 1817, paying $10,000 down and giving his note for $40,000, the only note he ever signed. Detroit was at that time a straggling little village of wooden buildings, containing only 9,223 inhabitants. For several years afterward its growth was slow, and it received no great impulse from the south. In 1836 Gen. Cass did not seem to have made a great speculation, and when he was offered $25,000 for the farm, more than doubling his investment in less than three years, he thought seriously of closing with the offer and "selling out." His home was then in the City of Washington, and he was Secretary of War under "Old Hickory." But he asked the advice of an intelligent Eastern business man, who was visiting him in Detroit. After dinner, one day, the two gentlemen walked over the farm from the river bank to its outermost boundaries; observed its noble water front, its long stretch of land, affording such favorable street grades, and its proximity to the center of business.

Said Gen. Cass's friend to him: "If you wish to sell the farm, I will give you $50,000 for it."

"Oh, then, my mind is made up, I will not sell at all," replied the General.

He held on to this choice piece of real estate, and became very rich through the industry and enterprise of others around him. He finally sold at good prices scattering lots, giving ten years' time for most of the purchase money, with interest at seven per cent, but stipulating always that buildings of considerable value should be erected on the lots within a short period. He issued land contracts of the above nature, but no deeds until the purchase money was all paid up. Of course the improvement made on a part of his lots greatly enhanced the value of the remainder, so that what land he had left was continually growing to be worth more than the whole at previous periods.

He also made a lucky hit and secured cheap immortality for his name by giving a large lot for a Union school-house in the midst of his farm, on condition that the city should erect a handsome brick building and iron fence around it, within a given time, and name the school-house after him. The "Cass Union School" rapidly increased the value of all lots in the neighborhood.

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Among other features of interest are presented the following:

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The *Oneida* Disaster; Capt. Eyre Allowed to Return Home; Romance of British Resistance in Japan; Great Conflagration in Yokohama; French Influence with Rome; The Montalembert Religious Service Forbidden by the Pope; Bonapartes Tried; The Insurrection in Mexico; New Away Rule in the Bank of England; The Honduras Railway; The Cowes University Race; An American Scientist for Murder in Great Britain.

Political Affairs.

Summary of the Proceedings of Congress and the State Legislatures; A Row at Albany; The City and County Tax Levies; The Massachusetts Liquor Laws; The Virginia Republicans; Government Interference in Tennessee; Affairs in Mississippi.

General Topics.

Desire of the Canadians for Commercial Independence; Sinking of the Coast at St. John, N. B.; The Fisheries and American Interests in Nova Scotia; Panic in an Albany Church; The Pigeon Massacre—Correspondence Between Gens. Sheridan and Sully; Official Trade and Navigation Report for 1869; Down with the Taxes; Physical Changes in the Great American Desert; Indian Depredations in Texas; Graphic Description of the Home Life of the Great French Novelist, "George Sand."

Local Intelligence.

Launching of the First Caisson for the East River Bridge; The Midland Railroad; War Between Dry Goods Kings; The Hermit of Westchester County; A. T. Stewart and Homestead Plains; Attempt to Swindle the Female Brokers of Broadway; Destruction of the Communipaw Freight Depot.

Agricultural.

Full Report of the Proceedings of the Farmers' Club; Deep Plowing and the New-York Farmers' Club; Our Prospective Gardens; Agriculture in Georgia; Adulteration of Fertilizers; The Flowhandle Family; The Cotton Crop.

Editorial Comments.

Will the Value of Investments Fall Under Gold Values? Objections to the Funding Bill; Bible or No Bible; Income Tax Assessors; Paul Pry in Politics; Secretary Cox and Our Indian Policy; Our Army and Navy Schools; The *City of Boston*; Our Foothold in the West Indies; Shall We Surrender Our Common Schools; Army Brevets; Sources of Political Corruption.

The Markets.

Specially Prepared Summaries of Financial, Commercial, Live Stock and Produce Movements.

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HOWELL—COTTS.—On Monday, Dec. 14, 1869, at the residence of Mr. Alonzo Howell, Hudson City, by Rev. Dr. L. L. Noble, Winfield S. Howell to Miss Emma L., daughter of John B. Cotts, Jr., of Rockville Center, L. I.

IBBOTSON—MUSGRAVE.—At Pittsburg, Penn., on Wednesday, March 23, 1870, Edward Ibbotson, of New-York, to Hilda, daughter of E. S. Musgrave, Esq., of the former city.

DIED.

BROWNE.—On Wednesday, March 22, Ann Eliza Browne.

The relatives and friends of the family are respectfully invited to attend her funeral from No. 178 West Broadway, on Friday, 25th inst., at 2 o'clock.

BRINTNALL.—On Wednesday, March 23, Annie Brintnall, daughter of John O. and Sarah A. Brintnall, aged 8 months.

The relatives and friends of the family are invited to attend the funeral services at the residence of her parents, No. 124 East 24th-st., on Friday, 25th inst., at 2 o'clock.

BUTTLE.—On Tuesday evening, March 22, Mary H. Simmons, wife of Robert Buttle, and daughter of Peter W. Simmons.

The relatives and friends of the family are respect

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS.

There was a fair attendance at the Exchange yesterday, and the sales were on the whole satisfactory. A large part of the property offered was downtown and the demand of brought such that the sales were made by Bulkley, Wilkins & Co., A. J. Blanchard, Son & Co., and James M. Miller. Only four lots of Harlem land, one Hundred and Eleventh, One Hundred and Twenty and One Hundred and Thirty-fourth streets, were offered and purchased by the first-mentioned firm; three dwellings of one Hundred and Eighteenth-street, near Fifth-avenue, opposite the Park, was sold for $17,000. The property is said to be considerably underpriced for this valuable property, and the price was reported to be higher, however, was about $1,000 less than the same lot sold for one year ago. The other dwelling property sold by the same firm was the house No. 22 West Twenty-ninth-street, which brought $17,250. A lot on Seventh-avenue, near Forty-fourth-street, was sold for $9,000, which was regarded as a very low price. The house 404 East Forty-eighth-street brought $7,000. The house in three stories, with kitchen and brown stone front.

A. J. Blanchard, Son & Co., sold a house on second-avenue, about a block above Stuyvesant-square, for $19,000. The house was of brick, four stories high, with modern improvements. A brown-stone English basement house, on Thirty-fifth-street, between Park and Lexington avenues, brought the same price. Full particulars of these and other sales are given in the schedule below.

Mr. John McCLAVE, of No. 48 Pine-street, has recently sold twenty-four lots on the Hundred and Sixteenth and One Hundred and Seventy-seventh streets, 200 feet east of Seventh-avenue, for $60,000.

Today promises a lively scene at the Exchange. MULLER, WILKINS & Co. announce a large amount of improved City property, including houses on Waverley-place, Fourteenth-street and West Broadway, and also a large number of vacant property on Evans, Jackson and Gillison streets, Brooklyn. E. H. LUDLOW & Co. will sell a large amount of property by order of the Supreme Court, in parcels, located on Fifty-seven, Baxter, Canal, Cedar, Grand, Hester, Washington, and West Twenty-fourth streets, and in the town of Solon, Cortlandt County.

Auction Sales Yesterday.

NEW-YORK.

By Bulkley, Wilkins & Co.

1 lot s. s. 119th-st., 225 ft. e. of 8th-av., 25x100.11	$1,800
1 lot s. s. 119th-st., 250 ft. e. of 8th-av., 25x100.11	1,900
1 lot s. s. 119th-st., 275 ft. e. of 8th-av., 25x100.11	2,100
1 lot s. s. 119th-st., 25 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x100.11	2,075
1 lot s. s. 119th-st., 50 ft. e. of 9th-av., 25x100.11	2,250
House and lot, 5 s. s. 24th-st., No. 129, 25 ft. w. of 2d-av., 18x98	10,000
1 lot w. s. 7th-av., 83.1 ft. s. of 142d-st., 22x100	3,000
House and lot No. 242 E. 40th-st., s. s., between 2d and 3d-avs., 18.6x90	10,000

By A. J. Blanchard, Son & Co.

House and lot No. 508 Canal-st., 19x82	$16,700
House and lot No. 318 2d-av., 17.4x88	19,000
House and lot No. 123 East 35th-st., 16.6x98x8.9	19,000

By James M. Miller.

House and lot No. 54 Leroy-st., between Hudson and Bedford, 20.6x99	$7,300

BROOKLYN, E. D.

By Bulkley, Wilkins & Co.

House and lot No. 78 East 4th-st., s. s., 170 ft. e. of 4th-st., 22x145.9	$11,000

Transfers of Real Estate.

NEW-YORK.

Murray-st., n. s., map of Trinity Church farm, lot No. 400	$29,100
24th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of Avenue B, 24.8x97	10,000
4th-st., s. s., 454 ft. e. of Avenue B, 18.4x87.6	15,000
24th-st., n. s., 225 ft. e. of 10th-av., 20.10x98.9 (k park)	9,000
25th-st., (k park) n. s., 325 ft. w. of 7th-av., 22x98.9	8,250
25th-st., n. s., 275 ft. e. of 11th-av., 25x98.9	2,200
25th-st., n. s., 325 ft. w. of 8th-av., 25x100.9	12,000
26th-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 10th-av., 20x98.9	10,000
51st-st., s. s., 100 ft. w. of 3d-av., 16x100	15,400
97th-st., s. s., 225.5 ft. w. of Avenue A, 16x100.4	1,200
3d-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 1st-av., 25x92	12,000
74th-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 1st-av., 25x102.11	8,125
A part 59th-st., n. s., map Harlem Commons, lot No. 114	2,000
116th-st., s. s., 325 ft. e. of 1st-av., 100x100.11	14,000
128th-st., n. s., 150 ft. w. of 4th-av., 16.8x96.11	2,000
138th-st., s. s., 175 ft. w. of 8th-av., 41.11x99	20,300
34-st., n. s., 275 ft. w. of 2d-av., 25x98.9	20,000
34-st., n. s., 300 ft. w. of 2d-av., 25x98.9	20,000
2d-av., e. s., 65.5 ft. n. of 58th-st., 22x110 ft. and 1	27,400
8th-av., w. s., 409.9 ft. n. of 125th-st., 72.11x125	27,000

Leases Recorded.

Amity-place, No. 75, 2 years, per year	$1,100
Cherry-st., No. 130, store of, 3 years, per year	600
Christopher-st., No. 178, 3 years, per year	500
Irving-place, No. 18, 10 years, per year	4,000
Orchard-st., No. 107, 3 years, per year	700
Pitkin-st., No. 74, 3 years, per year	800
Sullivan-st., No. 57, 3 years, per year	800
West Houston-st., n. s., 91.6 ft. e. of Varick-st., 25x60, 20 years	800
West Houston-st., n. s., 118.6 ft. e. of Varick-st., 22x113, 21 years	1,400
20th-st. and 10th-av., n. w. corner, store and stable, 3 years, per year	1,000
2d-av., No. 166, 3 years, per year	1,000

KINGS COUNTY.

Brooklyn.

Broadway, w. s., 104 ft. n. of Flushing-av., 36x64	$6,000
Chestnut-place, e. s., 260 ft. n. of De Kalb-av., 20x85	2,200
Dumbleton-st., w. s., 119 ft. n. of Myrtle-av., 21.8x100	7,000
Floyd-st., s. s., 140 ft. e. of Tompkins-av., 40x100	3,400
Floyd-st., s. s., 40 ft. e. of Tompkins-av., 16x100	11,000
Fulton-st., s. s., 72.8 ft. e. of Hicks-st., 24x40x100	11,000
McDonough-st., w. s., 300 ft. e. of Tompkins-av., 100x100	30,000
Quincy-st., s. s., 84.8 ft. w. of Ralph-av., 20x100	3,000
Rutledge-st., s. s., 84 ft. e. of 1st-av., 20x100	1,000
North 7th and 8th sts., n. e. corner, 40x200	10,000
2d-st., n. s., 100 ft. w. of 3d-av., 20x100	7,000
Sherman-st., w. s., 100 ft. n. of 10th-av., 80x100	2,000
Stanton-st., s. s., 180 ft. w. of Throop-av., 20x100	6,500
Kingsland-av., w. s., 50 ft. n. of Frost-st., 25x100	600

QUEENS COUNTY.

Bloomville.

Greenpoint-av., s. s., 275 ft. e. of Cox, 25x100	$750
Greenpoint-av., s. s., 300 ft. e. of Cox, 25x100	750

Clarenceville.

Grove-av. and Lexington-st., n. e. corner, 50x100	$300

Flushing.

Locust-st., s. s., adjoining Lawrence's, 25x70, Healing	$1,700

Jamaica.

Douglass-st., n. s., lots Nos. 678 and 674	$240
Road from Curran's Mill to Freeman Park, w. s., 12 acres, Nostrand's	1,850

Locust Grove.

Chestnut-st., lots Nos. 120 and 121, each 22x100	$400

Maspeth.

Clinton-av., s. s., lots Nos. 76 and 87, each 25x100	$1,250
Perry-av., n. s., lot No. 75, 25x100	

North Hempstead.

Road from Jericho turnpike to the Plains, s. s., adjoining Mayhew's, 43 acres	$7,000

South Williamsburg.

Lots Nos. 425 to 440, inclusive, each 20x100	$5,750

NEW-JERSEY.

Jersey City.

Montgomery-st., lot No. 78, block No. 61, Gregory & Henderson's map, 25x100	$600
Sculls-st., 3d-st., n. s., 50 ft. from Monmouth-st., 16.11x90	4,000
North-west corner South 4th-st. and Grove, 16.5x79	7,500
Pine-st., s. of Lafayette-st., 20x80	900
Washington-st., s. s., 1st Ave. 60, map of Gould's estate, 25x100	1,000

Hudson City.

Lot No. 22, block No. 4, R. C. Brunhill's map	$250

Bayonne.

Lot adjoining lands of Zabriskie, 67x165	$4,000

West Hoboken.

Paterson and Clinton avs., s. e. corner, 50x100	$4,000

North Bergen.

Hoboken and Hackensack plank road, 80x135	$2,000

Greenville.

Lots Nos. 68 and 69, block No. 3, map of lots on line of Newark and New Jersey Railroad	$1,000

Newark.

Columbia-st., s. s., adjoining C. Walsh's, 22.11x71.9	$2,200
Clayton-st., s. s., 125 ft. w. of West-st., 25x94.10	4,000
Clinton-av., s. s., 125 ft. e. of P. O. Scott's property, 25.6x230.7	2,500
Warren-st., 120 ft. e. from Washington-st., 21x98	3,000
Newark-st., s. s., 140 ft. e. of Sussex-av., 25x107	500
Belmont-av., w. s., 425 ft. n. of Kinney-st., 25x101	4,500

Orange.

Washington-st., n. s. s., adjoining J. Reynolds' 477.5x236.6	$4,000

Hampton.

Pierson's to Bruce and Schmidt's, 19.2x100	$2,200

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A CHOICE CORNER, SOUTH OF BROOKLYN City, 50 feet front, 100 feet deep, with two-story house, stable, etc., in good order, and in a good neighborhood; price, $7,000. Inquire of HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

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FOR SALE—AT SUMMIT, N. J., THE MOST beautiful place within a month of New-York, abounding with beautiful mountain views, and fine drives; a first-class dwelling-house, about forty feet square, three stories, with two-story extension, cottage style, with bath-rooms, hot and cold water, laundry, milk-room, furnace, range, butler's pantry, gas-pipe, &c.; also carriage-house and stable, with bedroom, ice-house, (filled with ice,) and cistern, and about twenty acres of land; within a quarter a mile of railroad station, and one hour from New-York; price, $25,000; terms easy. Apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

ELEGANT COUNTRY-SEAT FOR SALE.—A rare opportunity for a gentleman of taste and means to secure one of the most desirable places on the Hudson. It is finely situated, and is offered below its value, in consequence of ill health of the owner; it is complete in all its appointments, nine acres, well fruited, house, stable, commodious out-building, with grapery, hot-house and neighborhood unsurpassed. For particulars apply to HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st., or EDMUND COFFIN, No. 37 Cedar-st.

FOR SALE—A COUNTRY-SEAT ON THE Hudson River, New-Hamburg, Dutchess County; very beautifully situated on a river front of about 400 feet, comprising 18 acres of land, well watered; a dwelling-house, 32x62, feet, completely furnished and in thorough order; farmer's house, coach-house, with stabling for five horses; it is also well fitted for a building site, and is remarkable for its fine elm and locust trees; sixty per cent. may remain on mortgage. Apply at the Washington Insurance Company, No. 172 Broadway.

FOR SALE—ON THE CENTRAL RAILROAD, New-York, a beautiful country seat, with 15 acres of ground, tastefully laid out by a landscape gardener. The house, which stands about 100 feet from the carriage-way, is built in the best substantial manner, and contains every convenience and comfort of the most desirable City mansion; fruit of all kinds, flowers, &c., in great profusion. Will be sold at the extremely low price of $18,000. Inquire of HOMER MORGAN, No. 2 Pine-st.

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RAVENWOOD PROPERTY FOR SALE.—Several fine country residences at Ravenswood, L. I., with good water fronts on the East River; the only place on Long Island improvement now building; about 45 minutes' pleasant sail from the City. Apply at AMABLE'S Land Office, Fourteenth, Hunter's Point, to H. AMABLE.

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A STORE, LONG BRANCH, OR ELSEWHERE, for the coming season. Address, with full particulars, HENRY DRAPER, No. 18 Pearl-st., P. O. Box 3,000.

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TO LET—THE OFFICES NOW OCCUPIED by the Pacific Mail Steamship Co., No. 56 Wall-st., for the unexpired term of lease, viz., 4 years from May next. Apply on the premises.

REAL ESTATE WANTED.

TO BUY REAL ESTATE.—A PERSON having some money to invest would like to buy a large lot, or two lots, on Lexington, 3d, 4th, 5th and 6th-avs., and about 125th-st., or in the Morris Park District, or on west of Central-park. Any person who has to sell a property of quite all kinds, can be suited by calling at the office of the undersigned, where the office is in good hands. Property well let preferred. Direct to CHAS. E. EARL, No. 176 Broadway, Room No. 20.

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REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

MOSES WILKINS, Auctioneer.
SALE IN PARTITION BY ORDER of the Supreme Court of valuable property on the Hempstead Plains, Long Island, Nassau County, town and West Hempstead, and land in the town of Solon, Cortlandt County, New-York.
E. H. LUDLOW & CO. will sell at auction on THURSDAY, March 24, 1870, at 12 o'clock, at Chapin Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, Sale under the direction of Daniel S. Ingraham, Jr., Referee.
FIRST-AVENUE, No. 162—Valuable lot, with two-story brick stable and dwelling, covering entire lot 18x100.
NORTHEAST CORNER BEEKMAN AND CLIFF STREETS—Four five story brown stone stores and dwelling, known as Nos. 111, 113, 115 and 117 Cliff-st., and 2 and 4 Beekman-st., 100 feet to Cliff.
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WEST THIRTY-SEVENTH-STREET, No. 119—Three story brownstone front house and lot, between Broadway and Sixth-av., also a farm of 40 acres in the town of Solon, Cortlandt County, New-York.
Sixty per cent may remain on bond and mortgage.
Plot, Maps now ready at the auctioneers' office, No. 8 Pine-st.
R. H. HOWES, Attorney, No. 128 Fulton-st.

MOSES WILKINS, Auctioneer.
FIRST-CLASS BUSINESS, NO. 22 8TH-AV., Between 22d and 23d sts., at auction.
E. H. LUDLOW & Co.
will sell at auction,
On FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1870,
at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Sale-room, No. 111 Broadway, if not previously sold at private sale,
FIFTH-AVENUE—The elegant Brownstone four-story and basement house, with stable in rear, No. 22 West Twenty-second-st., lot 25 feet 6 in. by 100 feet, with all the modern improvements, furniture, pantry, extension stoves, hot-water boiler in good order, hot and cold water, gas, bath-rooms, water closets, and all the modern improvements; to be sold by order of the Executors of the late Mr. Hoyt, and sold to the highest bidder.
Terms of sale—Six or more years on bond and mortgage, balance in cash, or before April 25, when deed will be delivered to purchaser.
Maps, &c., can be had at the office of the auctioneers, No. 8 Pine-st., New-York.

MOSES WILKINS, Auctioneer.
THURSDAY, MARCH 31, AT 12 M., At Exchange Sale-room, No. 111 Broadway.
WEST THIRTEENTH-STREET—Three-story high-stoop and basement brick house, with modern improvements, and lot No. 215 West 13th-st. (much side, and 20x75 feet, 100 feet deep), beautifully frescoed, and contains all modern improvements. Gas fixtures go with the house. Possession immediately. The furniture can be purchased at private sale.
Maps at No. 77 Cedar-st.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS FOR THE CITY AND COUNTY OF NEW-YORK—JOHN MURPHY Against SOPHIA M. ROBERTS.—Order for sale on foreclosure of the mortgage filed.—In pursuance of a judgment of this action, duly and entered in the above-entitled action, bearing date the 8th day of March, 1870, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named for this purpose, will expose the sale at public auction, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New-York, on the 6th day of April, 1870, at 12 o'clock noon, by James M. Miller, Esq., real estate auctioneer, all the right, title and interest which the said Sophia M. Roberts had on the 1st day of February, 1869, or at any time since, in and to the following described premises, to wit: All that lot or parcel of land, with the dwelling thereon erected, situated in the Eighteenth ward, Seventh-street, and in the City of New-York, and bounded as follows: Beginning at the intersection of the north-easterly line of Union-place with the south-westerly line of Seventeenth-street, and running thence north-westerly along the said south-westerly line of Seventeenth-street 25 feet 11 inches; thence south-westerly and parallel with said Union-place, and at right angles with said Seventeenth-street, 100 feet; thence south-easterly and parallel with said Seventeenth-street 25 feet 11 inches to the north-westerly line of Union-place; thence along the said north-westerly line of Union-place 100 feet to the point or place of beginning. Dated New-York, March 14, 1870.
THOMAS H. LANDON, Referee.
WILLIAM H. ROONEY, Plaintiff's Attorney, No. 15 Nassau-street, New-York.

REAL ESTATE AT AUCTION.

MOSES WILKINS, Auctioneer.
SALE IN PARTITION BY ORDER OF THE SUPREME COURT, FIRST DEPARTMENT.
BY JOHNSON & MILLER, NO. 95 THURSDAY, March 24, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, the following described valuable real estate, in the City Hallowing, New-York, and in the town of Flushing, Queens County, New-York, and in the town of Solon, Cortlandt County, New-York, viz.:
TUESDAY, March 22, at 12 o'clock, at the Exchange Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, Executors' sale of No. 16 South Sixth-st., Brooklyn, E. D., valuable frame house, with full lot, 25x85.
GRAND CLEARING OUT SALE
of all the remaining portions of the Ashford Estate, which was not sold at the great sale in March last. This property is located in Hempstead, Queens County, Long Island, and in the town of Solon, Cortlandt County, New-York, on the Erie Railroad, Ontario, Auburn, Geneva, Ithaca and Lake Ontario. A copy of maps may be had at the auctioneers' office, No. 111 Broadway, New-York, or at the office of Andrew J. Kirby, counsel, the successor of United States Road, opposite Hempstead, Long Island.
The property has a frontage on the Broadway turnpike of 1 mile, and on the Hempstead Plains of 80 rods, on Cherry, or Cherry-street, 80 rods, on Atlantic Ocean, or Long Island Sound, 1 mile, and on Lake Ontario, 1 mile, and is the most valuable property on Long Island, and is the most desirable for Rockaway, Long Island.
The property has a frontage on the Broadway turnpike of 1 mile, and on the Hempstead Plains of 80 rods, on Cherry, or Cherry-street, 80 rods, on Atlantic Ocean, or Long Island Sound, 1 mile, and on Lake Ontario, 1 mile, and is the most valuable property on Long Island, and is the most desirable for Rockaway, Long Island.
The property is well watered, and healthy; about one hour's ride from the City; well fenced, and well built, in shape on 1, 2, 3 feet on the outside of water, and 1 foot on the inside of water, and 1 foot on the outside of water, and 1 foot on the inside of water, and 1 foot on the outside of water, and 1 foot on the inside of water, and 1 foot

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FOR LIVERPOOL AND QUEENSTOWN.—Inman Line of Royal Mail Steamers are expected to sail as follows:
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And each succeeding SATURDAY and alternate TUESDAY, from Pier No. 45 North River.
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No. 5 Bowling-green.

SCHEME TO TRAVELLERS.
Families or gentlemen going to travel on the Continent of Europe, will find it to their advantage to consider, should they have Paris without stop, the simplicity of cares and troubles regarding baggage, passport and examination of baggage, by securing the best accommodations in Paris, with the choice to which they are invited in various hotels of the Continent. Also, steamer tickets, state rooms, reserving and traveling carriages may always be obtained by addressing the undersigned, at the Continental Hotel, No. 2 Rue d'Alger, near the Tuileries Garden, Paris.

RAILROADS.

HUDSON RIVER RAILROAD.
Trains leave Hudson-st. as follows:
8:00 A. M. Albany express, Sleeping cars attached.
9:00 A. M. day express, drawing-room cars attached.
4:00 P. M. Albany express, Sleeping cars attached.
6:00 P. M. Pacific express, with sleeping cars through to Dunkirk without change, via N. Y. Railroad.
11:30 P. M. night express, sleeping cars attached.
6:00 A. M., 6:45 and 8:00 P. M. Mail for Albany.
3:00 and 6:30 P. M. Sing Sing express.
6:00, 7:30, 9:10 A. M., 12 M., 3, 4:30, 5:10, 7 and 11:30 P. M. Yonkers.
(8:00 A. M. and 4 P. M. Peekskill on Sundays.)
Nov. 11, 1869. J. M. TOUSEY, Superintendent.

ERIE RAILWAY.—TRAINS WILL LEAVE DEPOT as foot of Chambers-st. and foot of 23d-st. as follows:
Express mail express for Dunkirk, Buffalo, Niagara Falls and Western points, at 9 A. M., from Pier No. 10, North River, foot of Chambers-st.
CHARLES PIERSON, Jr., President.
M. R. SIMONS, Managing Director.
E. H. VARIAN, Freight Agent.
H. H. MANGAM, Freight Agent.

1870. SEASON. 1870.
Hudson River close of day. Permanent reduction of navigation. The Albany and Troy line of steamers will resume their usual trips, Pier No. 40, on MONDAY, March 21, inst., leaving Pier No. 41 North River, foot of Spring-st., at 6 P. M. Freight received daily for Troy and Albany, over the New-York Central, Hudson and Saratoga, Troy and Boston and connecting railroads. Fare only $1 50 to Albany and Troy, and like reduction to all points by railroad.
J. W. HANCOX & SONS.

STEAMER D. R. MARTIN,
Capt. JAS. L. CLARK, for Huntington, Cold Spring, Oyster Bay and Bayville, daily at 3½ P. M., from Pier No. 37 East River, foot of Market-st., one block above Grand-st. Ferry; touching at 37th-st. at 3½, for passengers only.

SHREWSBURY, RED BANK AND INTERMEDIATE STATIONS.—THE SEA BIRD will leave New-York, foot of Warren-st., as follows:
LEAVE NEW-YORK. | LEAVE RED BANK.
Saturday, 19th.....4:30 A. M. | Monday, 21st.....8:00 P. M.
Tuesday, 22d.....2:00 P. M. | Wednesday, 23d.....7:00 A. M.
Thursday, 24th.....12:30 P. M. | Friday, 25th.....12:00 M.
Saturday, 26th.....2:30 P. M. | Monday, 28th.....2:30 P. M.
Tuesday, 29th.....2:30 P. M. | Wednesday, 30th.....7:30 A. M.
Wednesday, 30th.....7:30 P. M.

FOR BRIDGEPORT, AND ALL POINTS ON THE HOUSATONIC AND NAUGATUCK Railroads.—Pier 8. Steamers leave Catharine-slip, at 12 noon.

FOR NEW HAVEN, HARTFORD, ETC.—Pier 8 E. R. Steamers leave Peck-slip for New-Haven at 3:15 and 11 P. M., connecting with railroad.

LEGAL NOTICES.

NEW-YORK SUPREME COURT.—WILLIAM D. ANDREWS, on behalf of himself and all others, the creditors of CHARLES HOLBROOK & CO., against CHARLES E. BOARDMAN, late assignee in trust, and others.—Pursuant to a judgment of the Supreme Court made in this action, on the 8th day of February, 1870, and other papers on file, it is ordered that it be referred to the undersigned as referee to state an account of what may be due to the plaintiffs upon their demand, and to all others, the creditors of the firm of C. Boardman & Holbrook & Co.," at the time of the assignment of the said firm to the said defendant, &c. Notice is hereby given to all creditors of the said firm to appear before me, at my office, the Office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas in the County Court House of the City of New-York, on or before the 6th day of April next, at 12 o'clock at noon of that day, and prove their debts, or be barred from the benefit of the said judgment. Dated New-York, March 2, 1870.
NATHANIEL JARVIS, Jr., Referee.
ADRIANCE & WOOD, Plaintiff's Attorneys.
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NEW-YORK COMMON PLEAS—MARY E. B. DAVIS, plaintiff, against HIRAM DAVIS, defendant.—Summons for relief.—Code, not served.—Action of divorce to the defendant Hiram Davis.—You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint in this action, which will be filed in the office of the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of the County of New-York, at the City Hall, New-York City, and to serve a copy of your answer to the said complaint on the subscriber, at his office, No. 32 Chester-st., New-York City, within twenty days after the service of this summons on you, exclusive of the day of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiff in this action will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in the complaint. Dated New-York, July 20, 1869.
ISAAC G. BOYCE, Plaintiff's Attorney.

HELP WANTED.

WANTED—TWO SINGLE MEN, PROTEST. ant, driving of horses; both to make themselves generally useful. Address Box No. 1,495 Post-office for three days, stating wages, &c.

WANTED—A YOUNG MAN FAMILIAR with office work, and who writes a good hand, to assist in an importing and jobbing house; salary moderate. Apply at No. 451 Broadway, in person, before 9 A. M.

WANTED—A PROTESTANT SINGLE MAN to go in the country; must understand the taking care of horses and experimenting of a garden. Call at No. 155 Duane-st.

WANTED—A YOUNG MAN, AGED ABOUT 18 years, who writes a good hand and is correct in figures. Address Box No. 3,262 Post-office, stating salary and references.

WANTED—AN EXPERIENCED WAITER who can come well recommended. Apply at No. 524 5th-av., between 10 and 2 o'clock.

WANTED—FIRST-CLASS GERMAN COOK, who understands French cooking. Call between 10 and 1 at No. 134 East 24th-st.

SITUATIONS WANTED.

FEMALES.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT PROTESTANT woman, a situation as chambermaid and seamstress; has the best of City references. Apply for two days at 276 7th-av., near 24th-st., second floor, back room.

WANTED—BY A COMPETENT PERSON, A situation as good cook, good washer and ironer, in a private family; good City references; no objection to go a short distance in the country. Call at No. 344 West 30th-st.

WANTED—BY A YOUNG WOMAN, A SITUation as excellent cook in a private family; understands all kinds of dessert; no objection to the country; is a good City cook; references from last place. Call at No. 128 West 42d-st., in the rear.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable woman; has the best references; cooking in all its branches; has the best references from her last place. Call at No. 224 West 18th-st., between 7th and 8th-avs.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable Protestant young woman as chamber-maid and waitress; has the best City references. Call for two days at No. 111 West 18th-st., between 5th and 6th-avs., second floor.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS WAITRESS or as chamber-maid; by a woman who has lived nineteen years in her last place, where she may be seen; for two days. Call at No. 58 Pierrepont-st., Brooklyn.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY AN EXPERIenced nurse; she can take the entire charge of a baby; is a good seamstress; would like to travel with a family; has the best of City references. No. 18 West 27th-st., between 5th and 6th-avs.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE WOMAN, A situation as child's nurse, or to wait on a lady with a family going to California; good reference given. Apply for two days at No. 380 East 62d-st., near East-riv.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable woman as first-class cook; understands cooking in all its branches, and has several years' City references. Can be seen for two days at No. 12 West 8th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION, BY A YOUNG woman, as a respectable family as chamber-maid and waitress, or as chamber-maid; is a good plain sewer; has three years' references from her last place. Call for two days at No. 137 West 31st-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman, as a nurse (present) as seamstress; is a good plain sewer; is willing to go a short distance; is a good nurse; has the best of City references. Call for two days at No. 128 West 34th-st., near 6th-av.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young woman in a private family as chamber-maid and seamstress; five years' best City references from her last place. Call at No. 245 7th-av., corner 26th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS SEAMSTRESS; would assist in the care and instruction of small children; wages no object; good references. Call or address Mrs. MCGOVERN, No. 32 East 9th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG woman a situation as first-class laundress in a private family; understands her business in all its branches, and can furnish the best of City references. Apply at No. 163 West 26th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS FIRST-CLASS cook in a private family; thoroughly understands her business, and is a first-class baker; can take the entire charge of the kitchen; has the best of City references. Call at No. 153 West 24th-st.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE YOUNG man, a situation as coachman and groom; understands his business; is willing to go out of the country; has been with the best of City and country. Address J. W., Box No. 169 Times Office.

WANTED—BY A GERMAN YOUNG WOman a cook's situation; can do German, French or American cooking; neats, gems, pastry of all kinds, jellies, ices, &c.; excellent baker. Call at No. 128 4th-av., now No. 226.

WANTED—BY AN ENGLISH PROTESTant woman, a situation to do chamber-work and do washing, or chamber-maid and waitress; fully competent for either situation; good references; City or country. Call at No. 209 4th-av., now No. 285.

WANTED—A SITUATION BY A RESPECTable young girl as first-class waitress; has the best City references; last place. Call for two days at No. 127 West 42d-st.

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WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTestant girl, a situation as seamstress, and to take care of children; would like to travel with a family; has the best of City references. No. 18 West 27th-st., between 5th and 6th-avs.

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WANTED—A SITUATION BY A YOUNG woman, as a respectable family as chamber-work and plain sewing; references for six years. Apply for two days at No. 62 East 9th-st.

WANTED—BY A GERMAN PERSON A situation as lady's maid or seamstress; has good references. Call at No. 177 7th-av., in the store.

WANTED—A SITUATION TO DO CHAMber-work and plain sewing; good City references. Call at No. 124 West 23d-st.

WANTED—BY A GERMAN GIRL A PLACE to do house-work in a small family. Apply at No. 129 6th-av., above 10th-st.

WANTED—A SITUATION AS COOK; UNderstands all kinds of meats, soups and pastry. Apply at No. 110 West 25th-st., near 6th-av.

WANTED—BY A RESPECTABLE PROTestant girl, a situation as waitress; best of City reference. Call at No. 220 West 30th-st.

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EXTENSIVE CONFLAGRATIONS.

Large Fire in Williamsburg—The Losses and the Insurances.

About 2½ A. M. yesterday a fire broke out in the rear of the furniture store No. 49 Grand-street, occupied by A. H. SCHULAS. Owing to the high wind prevailing at the time, the fire spread with great rapidity. Many stores and dwellings on the north, east and west of where the fire originated were totally destroyed.

Fire Commissioner BROWN was on the ground in person, and through the indefatigable exertions of the engineers and firemen of the Eastern District the fire was subdued. Assistance was sent for and received from the Western District, but at the time of its arrival the fire had been brought under control.

The property destroyed consisted of frame buildings, and the losses and insurances, as near as could be ascertained, were as follows:

ON GRAND-STREET.

No. 34, three-story frame, owned by Martin Aleckinner, who estimates his loss on building at $14,000; insured for $6,000; on stock which was destroyed insured for $2,000.

No. 36, owned by William Delaas; valued at $9,000; insured in Citizens' Fire Insurance Company for $3,000.

No. 38, owned by Joseph Fletcher, and occupied by Samuel Myers, cigar dealer. The loss on stock and furniture is estimated at $3,000. Insured for $2,000 in Williamsburg Fire Insurance Company. A portion of this building was occupied by J. Rew, crockery dealer. Stock all destroyed. No insurance.

No. 52, owned and occupied by Bernard McEliroy; rear house also lost. Loss, $2,000; insured for $2,000 in Fulton Fire Insurance Company.

No. 54, occupied by A. Moger, furniture-dealer; loss $2,000; no insurance; building owned by Mrs. Ramer.

No. 56, Townsend & Haynes, auctioneers; stock considerably damaged; insured for $700.

No. 98, Daniel Costello, clothier; loss on stock, $400; insured.

No. 100, Mrs. Kelly, crockery-dealer; loss slight.

No. 112, G. Meegan, liquor-dealer; loss $200.

ON NORTH FIRST-STREET.

No. 75, owner, C. Richards; loss $3,000; insured in Citizens' Fire Insurance Company for $1,000.

No. 77, owner, Joseph Fletcher; badly damaged; loss $2,500.

No. 79, owner, Mrs. Kelly; damaged about $1,000; insured for $1,500 in United States Insurance Company.

The fire is supposed to have been caused by persons boiling oil in the rear of the store No. 38 Grand-street.

Fires in This City Last Night—The Castle Garden Emigrant Depot Slightly Damaged.

About 6 o'clock last evening a fire was discovered between the ceiling and roof, at the north-east side of Castle Garden, over the office of the Commissioners of Emigration, and the portion of the building set apart as the domicil of the janitors of the establishment. For a time there was great danger that the historic structure would be entirely burned out, as the wind was blowing a stiff gale off the bay, and the cold was so severe that the firemen worked at great disadvantage. The place of the origin of the flame* memory ? evaded their progress as they were difficult to reach, so that it is greatly to the credit of the firemen that the flames were extinguished before the damage to the building had exceeded $2,000 and $1,500 to books and papers in the offices of the Commissioners. The personal property injured was covered by policies of insurance to the amount of $4,500 in various City companies. The disaster is alleged to have originated from a spark from a passing steamer.

At 3½ o'clock, P. M., a fire broke out upon the top floor of No. 27 Lispenard-street from the manufacture of jute cighons, and damaged the stock of R. DAMUSE & Co., the occupants, to the amount of $1,000 before it was extinguished. The firm, however, had a policy for the same amount in the Atlantic Insurance Company. The other occupants of the building suffered slight damage by water.

A defective chimney yesterday afternoon set fire to the frame shanty, No. 202 Tenth-avenue, owned and occupied by HENRY LEWERT, which was seriously damaged before the flames were extinguished. The premises are insured for $800 in the Continental Insurance Company.

At 7 o'clock P. M. a fire was discovered in the premises of THOMPSON & CRAIG, clothiers, on the second floor of No. 204 Broadway. It caused a damage of $3,000, and of $2,000 to the building, which is owned by T. SHEPPARD. Nothing was learned as to the cause of the disaster.

Newark Methodist Conference—Thirteenth Annual Session.

The thirteenth annual session of the Newark Methodist Episcopal Conference was commenced yesterday morning in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South Sixth-street. There was a full attendance of ministers and delegates, but the meeting was overcast by a deep feeling of sorrow in reference to the death of Bishop THOMPSON. The session was opened with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, administered by the Rev. J. S. PORTER.

Rev. Bishop ANDS announced that he was present to preside on account of the death of Bishop THOMPSON. The roll was called by Rev. M. E. ELLISON, of Hoboken, who announced that three members had died during the year, one of the members being Rev. JOHN MCCLINTOCK, D.D., late President of the Drew Seminary.

The following officers were then elected: Secretary, M. E. Ellison; Assistant Secretaries, John I. Morrow, and J. N. Fitzgerald; Statistical Secretary, John I. Hurlburt.

The following Committees were elected: Revs. Drs. Wiley, Crane and Porter a Committee to correspond with the family of the late Dr. THOMPSON.

Ross Lewis, R. Dunn, James M. Tollman, James M. Tuttle, Stacy W. Hilliard and Richard W. Van Horn, a Committee to arrange for a reunion with the New-Jersey M. E. Conference, and Friday was appointed as the day for the reunion. Committees were also appointed on the Educational, Tract, Bible, Missionary, Sunday-school and Temperance interests, and on Camp-meeting, Post-office, Public Worship, Church Extension and Freedmen's Aid Society. An address was delivered by Rev. Dr. EYNETT, Secretary of the Church Extension Society, at the close of which the afternoon session adjourned.

The evening session was devoted to the Bible, the Tract and the Sunday-School Union anniversaries. Rev. JOHN N. TUTTLE presided. Rev. RICHARD JOHNS delivered an able address on behalf of the Bible Society.

Rev. JOHN ATKINSON, of Newark, next made an address as the representative of the Sunday-School Society.

Rev. T. E. GORDON delivered a short and telling address on the tract interest, at the conclusion of which the Conference adjourned until this morning. The anniversary sermon will be preached this morning.

Convention of Milk-Dealers.

A Convention of the milk-producers along the line of the Harlem, Erie, New-Jersey, Long Island, and other railroads, was held at Croton Falls yesterday. The questions of the impurity of milk, the methods of the adulteration, the losses and damage in cans, &c., were fully discussed. Addresses were made by Mr. DECKER and Dr. MORRIS, (the latter of the Board of Health of this City,) both of whom elaborately depicted the evils, and proposed remedies, for all the existing complaints of diluted, sour and poor milk, bad feed and dishonest milk-dealers and farmers. Resolutions were adopted and pledges made "that the use of distillery or brewery grains should be abandoned by every person engaged in supplying milk, and to afford such information as will lead to the prosecution of all persons who infringe the law against such abuses; also, that the price of milk, between April 1 and Oct. 1, shall be not less than four cents per quart, one and a half cents per quart freight added. The price will enable the retailer to sell at ten cents per quart, and give him a fair and reasonable profit; also, that the cans are to be emptied under the care of an agent on the New-York railroad depot platform, and returned the same day, and the farmers be furnished with a milk-market report daily; that no overplus be sent and the markets flooded; and that they will sell nothing but pure milk; and will, as honorable men, do all in their power to prevent adulterating the milk sold in the New-York markets.

A Committee was appointed to see that these resolutions are carried out. Two of this Committee are the largest "distillery" grain-feeders and contractors along the Harlem Railroad, which curious appointment was a subject of extensive comment.

The Ridgefield Explosion—Verdict of the Jury.

At Englewood yesterday Coroner MILLER concluded his inquest over the remains of the men who were killed by the late nitro-glycerine explosion at Col. S. F. SCHAFFNER's factory, near Ridgefield, N. J. The verdict of the jury—which summed the evidence given by Col. SCHAFFNER—declared "that HERMAN MYERS, and the other deceased men, had come to their death by the explosion of certain bags of soda compound, so marked, containing nitro-glycerine, situated upon the bank, or road about eighty feet west of the nitro-glycerine factory, by which bags they were standing at the time, and that no person could be censured or blamed under the circumstances, taking into consideration the flood that had taken place in the bay previously, saturating the floor of the factory with water and thus softening the ground and causing, as we believe, the settling of a platform upon which had been placed a number of carboys containing nitric and sulphuric acids and bags of soda compound, making a weight of at least 20,000 pounds, underneath which platform was located alleiate nitro-glycerine, and at the edge of which, on the ground, were placed carboys of the nitric acids, the settling of which platform must have broken some of the carboys containing nitric acids, which, thus liberated, generated the heat and pressure necessary to cause the explosion inside the factory, and that this first explosion caused the explosion of the bags outside, situated as already stated."

Serious Riot among the South Brooklyn Sugar-Shovers.

For some weeks past the Constitution Flint Glass Works of Messrs. A. THIERY & Co., situated upon Delaware, near Van Brunt-street, have been kept almost in a state of siege by a body of discontented workmen who were formerly employed there, but gave up their positions because they objected to some of the rules of the establishment. Not content with staying away from the shop themselves, the discontented hands determined that if possible, no one else should be allowed to enter it.

Yesterday morning four young men of French extraction, all brothers, named ETIENNE, RAYMOND, LOUIS and ALOYSE SCHAUER, connected with the firm of R. SCHAUER & Sons, Counterfeit Flint Glass Works, corner of North Twelfth and Second streets, Williamsburg, came to the South Brooklyn Works to work up an order which had been received by their firm. Their own works were closed, and it was noised that the Messrs. THIERY were to supply the client, &c. while they were to work it up. Enraged at what was apparently a fresh accession of strength to the works, the strikers resolved upon a barrier-out attack on these unoffending strangers. Fully armed with clubs and other weapons, a band of them lay in wait for the newcomers as they were coming from their work in the evening. About 6 o'clock the young Frenchmen passed out into Columbia-street, and were suddenly surrounded by an infuriated mob. ETIENNE was struck on the back of the head with a club; stunned and fell to the ground senseless. His brothers received sundry blows about the head, but succeeded in making good their escape. The crowd, not knowing whether ETIENNE was dead or not, was about to leave him when he revived and rose up. Being again assaulted with clubs and stones, as he alleges, he drew his revolver and fired once. The blows were, he says, repeated till he fired a second ball, some of that was left in the pistol, and managed to escape from his assailants. No one appears to have been wounded. He took refuge, it seems, in a drugguists' shop, round which there gathered a crowd eager to lay hold of him. At this time, Officer GILL, of the Forty-third Sub-Precinct, arrived on the scene and took SCHAUER into custody. He claims to be able to identify his assailants, but up till 10 o'clock P. M. no arrest had been made. One young man was arrested on suspicion, but was discharged as his identity could not be sworn to.

The Steep Hollow Tragedy—Trial of Buckhout.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer, for Westchester County, the case of ISAAC V. W. BUCKHOUT, charged with the murder of his wife, LOUISA BUCKHOUT, and of ALFRED RENDELL, came up for trial yesterday morning. The Court-room was densely crowded. The Bench was occupied by Judges TAPPAN and COCHRAN, and Justices of Sessions MYRON B. SELLECK and BENJAMIN BILLINGS. The following gentlemen appeared as counsel for the defendant: FRANCIS LARKIN, W. H. ROBERTSON, J. S. MILLARD and JACKSON HYATT.

BUCKHOUT's demeanor was quiet and careless, although he paid strict attention to what was going on around him.

The day was spent in selecting a jury. At 5½ P. M. only seven had been chosen.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

SAMUEL H. SMITH, a countryman, was induced on Tuesday evening to accompany LIZZIE JOHNSON to No. 30 Crosby-street, a notorious panel-house, where he was robbed of $240, by the usual method in such places. LIZZIE was arrested and arraigned before Justice SCOTT, at the Tombs, yesterday, and remanded for trial in default of bail. The complainant was sent to the House of Detention for witnesses. THOS. DEARMS, alias "Irish Tom," the woman's confederate, was not arrested.

The congregation worshiping at the John-street M. E. Church are about losing their pastor, Rev. WM. P. CORBIT, who has received a call from a church in Baltimore; but the appointment must first meet the approval and sanction of the Conference to assemble next month. After the services last night at the John-street Church Mr. CORBIT passed some high encomiums on the late Dr. MCCLINTOCK and Bishop THOMPSON, and one or two other members prominent in the Church, who have died within the past month. Mr. CORBIT will preach his valedictory sermon on Sunday, April 5, when special services will be held at the John-street Church.

LOUIS ELSBERG, M.D., Clinical Professor of Diseases of the Throat in the University Medical College, continued his interesting lecture on "Voice and Speech," before the Liberal Club, last evening, at No. 23 Third-avenue. The lecturer went into his subject with much more minuteness than time permitted when the same lecture was delivered in Cooper Institute, and both lecture and illustrations were received with much satisfaction by the large number of members present. Among the practical points made by the Professor were, that the human voice is capable of being trained to utter either musical or discordant sounds, and that the attempt to eat and talk at the same time is usually embarrassing.

A meeting was held by property-owners on Fourth and Fifth streets, at No. 630 Fifth-street, last evening, Mr. JOS. BECKER presiding, to oppose the laying of Robbins' Excelsior wooden pavement in those streets. A Committee was appointed to procure legal advice, and other committees were appointed to circulate lists among all the property-owners of both streets, to get their consent to the opposition against the wooden pavement named.

The regular monthly meeting of the Eastern Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association was held last evening. Rev. S. R. STEVENS delivered a lecture entitled "What Can I Do?" He expressed himself firm in the belief that God had ordained a specific work for every individual. Every one, he said, however humble his sphere, can do his part toward the consummation of the grand object at this existence.

Rev. E. D. MURPHY, the popular pastor of the Port Society's Mariners' Church, corner of Madison and Catharine streets, is suffering from an affection of the lungs, and by advice of his physician he will go to Florida on Friday next, where he proposes to remain until his health is restored.

It has already been stated that on Wednesday last, RICHARD KENWORTHY, Sheriff of Dutchess County, in pursuance of a warrant issued by Judge GILBERT, attached all the real and personal property of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad, lying in Dutchess County, to satisfy a claim of $600,000 held against the road by ex-Governor DILLON, and that the Sheriff had in his possession still another attachment against the same road to satisfy a claim of $26,000 in favor of Mr. BARNES, the Chief-Engineer of the Dutchess and Columbia Road. The officers of the latter road have taken possession of the Boston, Hartford and Erie Railroad.

A short time since a large number of the leading members of the Bar of this City united in extending an invitation to C. G. LANGDELL, Esq., late of the law firm of PIERREPONT, SPARLEY & LANGDELL, to a dinner to be given in his honor just previous to his departure for Cambridge, to assume his chair as Dane Professor of Law in Harvard University. The Bar will learn with regret that Prof. LANGDELL in his reply, while thanking the gentlemen for the invitation on the ground that his duties render an acceptance impossible.

The steam-boat *Plymouth Rock*, which is to run between New-York and Long Branch the coming season, is to be elegantly fitted up, and to be commanded by Capt. L. V. TILTON. Her officers are to wear uniforms peculiar to the business, French in style, gold and silver lace abounding, with sleeves, bands, ribbons and everything in keeping.

CHRISTINA WIELAND, aged six years, died yesterday, at Seventy-first-street and Eighth-avenue, under peculiar circumstances. She returned home from school, complaining of a pain in the head, which continued until death ensued. The attending physician considered inflammation of the brain to be the cause, but referred the case to Coroner KEENAN for investigation.

The School Trustees of the Seventh Ward have petitioned the Board of Education for the erection of a new building for Grammar School No. 2, more popularly known as the Henry-street School. In their communication the trustees set forth many potent reasons why their request should be granted.

On Friday afternoon a large organ, intended for Yokohama, Japan, will be exhibited at JARDINE's, East Thirty-ninth-street, near Second-avenue.

A fire occurred yesterday in the carpenter's shop of EUGENE MCCAFFERTY, No. 225 West Forty-seventh-street, doing a damage of $5,000, on which there is no insurance.

Mr. JOHN E. SHELLY, aged eighteen, who fell through a hatchway on Tuesday, at No. 503 Pearl-street, died yesterday at Bellevue Hospital. The remains were removed to the residence of deceased's family, No. 279 Greenwich-street, where Coroner KEENAN will hold an inquest. Mr. SHELLY was at one time an attaché of the *Commercial Advertiser*.

JOHN ELLIS was arraigned before Justice SCOTT yesterday at the Tombs, on a charge of swindling DANIEL LEARY by the confidence game. On the 16th of October last LEARY arrived in this City from Illinois on route for Ireland. He was accosted by the accused at the depot, who pretended he was going to Europe also, and induced his victim to go to No. 9 Hoboken-street, where he and an unknown confederate obtained from LEARY $800 in greenbacks to be changed into English gold. DANIEL saw the unknown come out forty-five English sovereigns and apparently put the gold in a belt which was placed round his waist. LEARY enticed on a stoop adjoining that night and subsequently discovered that he had been given thirty silver shillings. Having exactly expended his funds, he was compelled to remain in the Potter Hospital for three weeks, and then came to this City and earnestly sought for the swindler. He succeeded in finding ELLIS, who was arrested.

FRANCIS V. ARCHER, a resident of Rye, Westchester County, was charged, before Judge MORGAN, of the Marine Court, by paid a forged check for $40, on the Merchants' Exchange National Bank, upon CHARLES KEAN, No. 278 Hudson-street. There were several charges of a similar nature against the prisoner, all of which he had succeeded in cashing, all of which he was charged by merchants in Washington-market, all of which he had cleverly defrauded of varying small amounts. He was held to answer.

HERMAN BELSON, aged fourteen, was brought up at the Jefferson Market Police Court, yesterday, charged with attempting to pass a forged check on the East River National Bank, on J. H. COMSTY, No. 168 Eighth-avenue. The prisoner presented the check to Mr. COMSTY and asked to have it cashed. Mr. COMSTY at once pronounced the check to be a forgery, and had him arrested. He would not answer.

ANDREW BROWN, a Chatham-street hatter, who was charged with passing a counterfeit $5 bill on a blind man, was honorably discharged by Commissioner SHIELDS yesterday.

Rev. W. H. PENDLETON lectures on the Holy Land to-night at the Plymouth Baptist Church, Fifty-first-street, between Ninth and Tenth avenues.

In the Yorkville Police Court, before Justice BILBY, yesterday, JACOB BRIM, one of a party of burly brewery-men who committed a violent and unprovoked assault on JOHN LAUPIRE, in his father's house, in Third-avenue, between Fifty-fifth and Fifty-sixth streets, on the night of the 26th of February last, was brought up for examination, and committed for trial in default of $500 bail.

JOHN CONNOR and HENRY ELDON were brought up at the Essex Market Police Court yesterday before Judge LEWRIS, the latter charged with burglary and the former charged with burglary and the felonious assault on RICHARD WHITE, No. 252 East Tenth-street. Mr. WHITE discovered them in the premises, when CONNOR assaulted and cut him with a large knife. The prisoners were arrested and were fully committed for trial at the Court of General Sessions in default of bail.

The examination of the charge against Postmaster JONES for detaining and forwarding to the Dead Letter office at Washington letters addressed to swindling jewelry and other firms in this City, was fixed in the United States Commissioner's office for yesterday, but did not take place, counsel desiring further time to prepare to argue the legal question of the right of a Postmaster to seize letters on the mere assumption that they are sent by the victims of swindlers.

The Alumni Association of the Eclectic Medical College of the City of New-York held an adjourned meeting and reunion last evening at the residence of Dr. WM. R. HAYDEN, No. 64 Irving-place. Dr. WM. ARCHER presiding. Ten new members were elected, five of whom were leading M. D.'s. An address, containing some of the humorous incidents in the history and practice of medicine, was delivered by Prof. F. W. ALLEN, and a poem was recited by Dr. ARCHER. The occasion was also one of social enjoyment, and as such was rendered a success by the presence of a goodly proportion of ladies.

The second annual masquerade of the "Olympic Theatre Humpty Dumpty Club," occurs at Irving Hall to-night. The dancing professor will, of course, be liberally represented.

The only case before the Court of General Sessions, yesterday, was one in which JOSEPH FRAZER, was charged with stealing a small sum of money from a sailor named WILLIAM WALSH, at a Water-street bagnio. The Jury failed to agree.

The German Society Comus of this City, Mr. JULIUS MOSS, President, closed their carnival entertainment of the season by a masquerade ball at Irving Hall, on Tuesday night. It was very numerously attended, distinguished by fine fancy dresses and amusing masks, and was a very pleasant affair.

Last evening a black bag was found under the stoop of the residence of T. K. SMITH, No. 106 West Thirteenth-street, which, upon being opened, was found to contain the body of a full-grown infant wrapped in an old sheet, and having a string drawn tightly around the neck several times, showing that it had been born alive and died soon after birth. The body was taken in charge by the Fifteenth Precinct Police.

A fracas occurred yesterday morning in the hardware store of No. 27 South-street, during which ELIAS PETRAK, a sailor, living at No. 150 Cherry-street, was dangerously injured by a blow on the head from an iron bar in the hands of another sailor, who lives at No. 20 Oak-street, but whose name is yet unknown to the Police. He has not yet been arrested.

At 1 o'clock this morning a fire broke out on the top floor of No. 219 Centre-street, occupied by CONRAD LEISCH, manufacturer of billiard cues. Mr. LEISCH's loss will amount to about $600. The property of the other occupants was slightly damaged by water.

BROOKLYN.

The chapel of Dr. CUYLER's Cumberland-street Mission School was filled last evening by the friends of temperance. W. B. JONES, Esq., occupied the chair. A very able and exceedingly touching address was delivered by the prison lecturer, J. HENRY SMYTHE, of Philadelphia. Mr. SMYTHE's powers of illustration would interest any audience in the land, and there are few so warmly welcomed by the children of our schools. An interesting feature of the evening was singing by the pupils of the Orphan Asylum located in the vicinity. The pledge received many signers.

ANTONIO CATACCI, MARCO BALAFEI and PAOLO MARCHI were examined, yesterday afternoon, before United States Commissioner NEWTON, on a charge of counterfeiting nickel coin. The only defense adduced was the testimony of another Italian, a sailor, who alleged that two of the prisoners were shipwrecked sailors, saved from a ship that had been wrecked near Castle Garden. The Commissioner decided that the presumption was not strong enough to withhold the prisoners from the Grand Jury, whose action they were accordingly held to await.

The inquest regarding the explosion at PFEIFER & Co.'s chemical works, corner of Flushing-avenue and Harrison-street, was concluded yesterday before Coroner WHITEHILL and a jury. The explosion occurred in the manufacture of phosphoric acid, but the discovery of the precise cause has completely baffled the scientific experts who have been examined on the subject. The jury returned a verdict that WILLIAM BROWN died from injuries received as above on the 19th of February, 1868, and severally censured the proprietors of the works for putting a man to work on phosphoric acid who never made it before.

The fraudulent mortgage case against ROWLAND MERRICK and others came up again before United States Commissioner NEWTON, yesterday afternoon. Mr. WHITRICK, counsel for the defendants, refused to give up the mortgage, though he had it in his possession, on the ground that there was an injunction restraining him from so doing. The Commissioner accordingly stated that he would certify him for contempt, and the case was adjourned till Tuesday next.

LOUIS DEMORAIS, residing in Van Brunt, near King-street, South Brooklyn, was found dead in his bed, having, as is supposed, died from heart disease.

LONG ISLAND.

The Mormons on Long Island succeeded in making sixty converts, all of whom on Tuesday afternoon started for Utah. They were accompanied by Dr. DEREUCET, who took such an active part in Mormon matters as to rum his practice in Freeport.

NEW-JERSEY.

At a meeting of the Common Council of Jersey City, yesterday, the Committee on Finance were authorized to borrow $20,000, for three months, to meet the current expenses of the city. Resolutions were adopted authorizing the Corporation Attorney to test the constitutionality of the act passed by the Legislature exempting the Erie Railway Company from paying taxes already levied, and appointing a Committee of five with power to procure legal advice and the laws and decisions of the State Legislature and Courts, as to whether it is not advisable to relieve railroad companies from paying taxes assessed by the city on their property.

Shortly after midnight on Tuesday flames were discovered in the carpenter shop of Messrs. TURMAN & KITE on West State-street, in Trenton. It was a frame building, and was with its contents entirely consumed. Two frame buildings to the westward, occupied by Col. EWING and JUNIS QUICK, were also destroyed. The residence of Mrs. HUTCHINSON adjoining on the east, and the grocery store of RANDOLPH JAY were somewhat damaged. The loss is estimated at $12,000. The fire is supposed to have been the work of an incendiary. The Mansion House on State-street caught fire from the sparks and was damaged to the extent of $6,000.

A meeting was held in Watchin Hall, Montclair, last evening, which was largely attended by the citizens who are opposed to bonding the township to aid the construction of the Montclair Railroad. The meeting was pronounced in its opposition to the scheme, and the attorneys, Messrs. MCCARTER and BROWN, were directed to contest the case to the end.

At an early hour yesterday morning the residence of Mr. MATTIL, in Clinton Township, was entirely destroyed by fire. The loss is estimated at $6,000.

The Republican Executive Committees of the three cities of Bergen, Hudson City and Jersey City have resolved to hold the primary elections for Mayor in Jersey City on Tuesday evening, April 4, and that the City Convention

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EXTENSIVE CONFLAGRATIONS.

Large Fire in Williamsburg—The Losses and the Insurances.

About 2½ A. M. yesterday a fire broke out in the rear of the furniture store No. 49 Grand-street, occupied by A. H. SCHULAS. Owing to the high wind prevailing at the time, the fire spread with great rapidity. Many stores and dwellings on the north, east and west of where the fire originated were totally destroyed.

Fire Commissioner BROWN was on the ground in person, and through the indefatigable exertions of the engineers and firemen of the Eastern District the fire was subdued. Assistance was sent for and received from the Western District, but at the time of its arrival the fire had been brought under control.

The property destroyed consisted of frame buildings, and the losses and insurances, as near as could be ascertained, were as follows:

ON GRAND-STREET.

No. 34, three-story frame, owned by Martin Aleckinner, who estimates his loss on building at $14,000; insured for $6,000; on stock which was destroyed insured for $2,000.

No. 36, owned by William Delaas; valued at $9,000; insured in Citizens' Fire Insurance Company for $3,000.

No. 38, owned by Joseph Fletcher, and occupied by Samuel Myers, cigar dealer. The loss on stock and furniture is estimated at $3,000. Insured for $2,000 in Williamsburg Fire Insurance Company. A portion of this building was occupied by J. Rew, crockery dealer. Stock all destroyed. No insurance.

No. 52, owned and occupied by Bernard McElroy; rear house also lost. Loss, $2,000; insured for $2,000 in Fulton Fire Insurance Company.

No. 54, occupied by A. Moger, furniture-dealer; loss $2,000; no insurance; building owned by Mrs. Ramer.

No. 56, Townsend & Haynes, auctioneers; stock considerably damaged; insured for $700.

No. 98, Daniel Costello, clothier; loss on stock, $400; insured.

No. 100, Mrs. Kelly, crockery-dealer; loss slight.

No. 112, G. Meegan, liquor-dealer; loss $200.

ON NORTH FIRST-STREET.

No. 75, owner, C. Richards; loss $3,000; insured in Citizens' Fire Insurance Company for $1,000.

No. 77, owner, Joseph Fletcher; badly damaged; loss $2,500.

No. 79, owner, Mrs. Kelly; damaged about $1,000; insured for $1,500 in United States Insurance Company.

The fire is supposed to have been caused by persons boiling oil in the rear of the store No. 38 Grand-street.

Fires in This City Last Night—The Castle Garden Emigrant Depot Slightly Damaged.

About 6 o'clock last evening a fire was discovered between the ceiling and roof, at the north-east side of Castle Garden, over the office of the Commissioners of Emigration, and the portion of the building set apart as the domicil of the janitors of the establishment. For a time there was great danger that the historic structure would be entirely burned out, as the wind was blowing a stiff gale off the bay, and the cold was so severe that the firemen worked at great disadvantage. The place of the origin of the flame* memory ? evaded their progress as they were difficult to reach, so that it is greatly to the credit of the firemen that the flames were extinguished before the damage to the building had exceeded $2,000 and $1,500 to books and papers in the offices of the Commissioners. The personal property injured was covered by policies of insurance to the amount of $4,500 in various City companies. The disaster is alleged to have originated from a spark from a passing steamer.

At 3½ o'clock, P. M., a fire broke out upon the top floor of No. 27 Lispenard-street from the manufacture of jute cighons, and damaged the stock of R. DAMUSE & Co., the occupants, to the amount of $1,000 before it was extinguished. The firm, however, had a policy for the same amount in the Atlantic Insurance Company. The other occupants of the building suffered slight damage by water.

A defective chimney yesterday afternoon set fire to the frame shanty, No. 202 Tenth-avenue, owned and occupied by HENRY LEWERT, which was seriously damaged before the flames were extinguished. The premises are insured for $800 in the Continental Insurance Company.

At 7 o'clock P. M. a fire was discovered in the premises of THOMPSON & CRAIG, clothiers, on the second floor of No. 204 Broadway. It caused a damage of $3,000, and of $2,000 to the building, which is owned by T. SHEPPARD. Nothing was learned as to the cause of the disaster.

Newark Methodist Conference—Thirteenth Annual Session.

The thirteenth annual session of the Newark Methodist Episcopal Conference was commenced yesterday morning in the Methodist Episcopal Church, South Sixth-street. There was a full attendance of ministers and delegates, but the meeting was overcast by a deep feeling of sorrow in reference to the death of Bishop THOMPSON. The session was opened with the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, administered by the Rev. J. S. PORTER.

Rev. Bishop ANDS announced that he was present to preside on account of the death of Bishop THOMPSON. The roll was called by Rev. M. E. ELLISON, of Hoboken, who announced that three members had died during the year, one of the members being Rev. JOHN MCCLINTOCK, D.D., late President of the Drew Seminary.

The following officers were then elected: Secretary, M. E. Ellison; Assistant Secretaries, John I. Morrow, and J. N. Fitzgerald; Statistical Secretary, John I. Hurlburt.

The following Committees were elected: Revs. Drs. Wiley, Crane and Porter a Committee to correspond with the family of the late Dr. THOMPSON.

Ross Lewis, R. Dunn, James M. Tollman, James M. Tuttle, Stacy W. Hilliard and Richard W. Van Horn, a Committee to arrange for a reunion with the New-Jersey M. E. Conference, and Friday was appointed as the day for the reunion. Committees were also appointed on the Educational, Tract, Bible, Missionary, Sunday-school and Temperance interests, and on Camp-meeting, Post-office, Public Worship, Church Extension and Freedmen's Aid Society. An address was delivered by Rev. Dr. EYNETT, Secretary of the Church Extension Society, at the close of which the afternoon session adjourned.

The evening session was devoted to the Bible, the Tract and the Sunday-School Union anniversaries. Rev. JOHN N. TUTTLE presided. Rev. RICHARD JOHNS delivered an able address on behalf of the Bible Society.

Rev. JOHN ATKINSON, of Newark, next made an address as the representative of the Sunday-School Society.

Rev. T. E. GORDON delivered a short and telling address on the tract interest, at the conclusion of which the Conference adjourned until this morning. The anniversary sermon will be preached this morning.

Convention of Milk-Dealers.

A Convention of the milk-producers along the line of the Harlem, Erie, New-Jersey, Long Island, and other railroads, was held at Croton Falls yesterday. The questions of the impurity of milk, the methods of the adulteration, the losses and damage in cans, &c., were fully discussed. Addresses were made by Mr. DECKER and Dr. MORRIS, (the latter of the Board of Health of this City,) both of whom elaborately depicted the evils, and proposed remedies, for all the existing complaints of diluted, sour and poor milk, bad feed and dishonest milk-dealers and farmers. Resolutions were adopted and pledges made "that the use of distillery or brewery grains should be abandoned by every person engaged in supplying milk, and to afford such information as will lead to the prosecution of all persons who infringe the law against such abuses; also, that the price of milk, between April 1 and Oct. 1, shall be not less than four cents per quart, one and a half cents per quart freight added. The price will enable the retailer to sell at ten cents per quart, and give him a fair and reasonable profit; also, that the cans are to be emptied under the care of an agent on the New-York railroad depot platform, and returned the same day, and the farmers be furnished with a milk-market report daily; that no overplus be sent and the markets flooded; and that they will sell nothing but pure milk; and will, as honorable men, do all in their power to prevent adulterating the milk sold in the New-York markets.

A Committee was appointed to see that these resolutions are carried out. Two of this Committee are the largest "distillery" grain-feeders and contractors along the Harlem Railroad, which curious appointment was a subject of extensive comment.

The Ridgefield Explosion—Verdict of the Jury.

At Englewood yesterday Coroner MILLER concluded his inquest over the remains of the men who were killed by the late nitro-glycerine explosion at Col. S. F. SCHAFFNER's factory, near Ridgefield, N. J. The verdict of the jury—which summed the evidence given by Col. SCHAFFNER—declared "that HERMAN MYERS, and the other deceased men, had come to their death by the explosion of certain bags of soda compound, so marked, containing nitro-glycerine, situated upon the bank, or road about eighty feet west of the nitro-glycerine factory, by which bags they were standing at the time, and that no person could be censured or blamed under the circumstances, taking into consideration the flood that had taken place in the bay previously, saturating the floor of the factory with water and thus softening the ground and causing, as we believe, the settling of a platform upon which had been placed a number of carboys containing nitric and sulphuric acids and bags of soda compound, making a weight of at least 20,000 pounds, underneath which platform was located alleiate nitro-glycerine, and at the edge of which, on the ground, were placed carboys of the nitric acids, the settling of which platform must have broken some of the carboys containing nitric acids, which, thus liberated, generated the heat and pressure necessary to cause the explosion inside the factory, and that this first explosion caused the explosion of the bags outside, situated as already stated."

Serious Riot among the South Brooklyn Sugar-Shovers.

For some weeks past the Constitution Flint Glass Works of Messrs. A. THIERY & Co., situated upon Delaware, near Van Brunt-street, have been kept almost in a state of siege by a body of discontented workmen who were formerly employed there, but gave up their positions because they objected to some of the rules of the establishment. Not content with staying away from the shop themselves, the discontented hands determined that if possible, no one else should be allowed to enter it.

Yesterday morning four young men of French extraction, all brothers, named ETIENNE, RAYMOND, LOUIS and ALOYSE SCHAUER, connected with the firm of R. SCHAUER & Sons, Counterfeit Flint Glass Works, corner of North Twelfth and Second streets, Williamsburg, came to the South Brooklyn Works to work up an order which had been received by their firm. Their own works were closed, and it was noised that the Messrs. THIERY were to supply the client, &c. while they were to work it up. Enraged at what was apparently a fresh accession of strength to the works, the strikers resolved upon a barrier-out attack on these unoffending strangers. Fully armed with clubs and other weapons, a band of them lay in wait for the newcomers as they were coming from their work in the evening. About 6 O'clock the young Frenchmen passed out into Columbia-street, and were suddenly surrounded by an infuriated mob. ETIENNE was struck on the back of the head with a club; stunned and fell to the ground senseless. His brothers received sundry blows about the head, but succeeded in making good their escape. The crowd, not knowing whether ETIENNE was dead or not, was about to leave him when he revived and rose up. Being again assaulted with clubs and stones, as he alleges, he drew his revolver and fired once. The blows were, he says, repeated till he fired a second ball, some of that was left in the pistol, and managed to escape from his assailants. No one appears to have been wounded. He took refuge, it seems, in a drugguists' shop, round which there gathered a crowd eager to lay hold of him. At this time, Officer GILL of the Forty-third Sub-Precinct, arrived on the scene and took SCHAUER into custody. He claims to be able to identify his assailants, but up till 10 o'clock P. M. no arrest had been made. One young man was arrested on suspicion, but was discharged as his identity could not be sworn to.

The Steep Hollow Tragedy—Trial of Buckhout.

In the Court of Oyer and Terminer, for Westchester County, the case of ISAAC V. W. BUCKHOUT, charged with the murder of his wife, LOUISA BUCKHOUT, and of ALFRED RENDELL, came up for trial yesterday morning. The Court-room was densely crowded. The Bench was occupied by Judges TAPPAN and COCHRAN, and Justices of Sessions MYRON B. SELLECK and BENJAMIN BILLINGS. The following gentlemen appeared as counsel for the defendant: FRANCIS LARKIN, W. H. ROBERTSON, J. S. MILLARD and JACKSON HYATT.

BUCKHOUT's demeanor was quiet and careless, although he paid strict attention to what was going on around him.

The day was spent in selecting a jury. At 5½ P. M. only seven had been chosen.

LOCAL NEWS IN BRIEF.

NEW-YORK.

SAMUEL H. SMITH, a countryman, was induced on Tuesday evening to accompany LIZZIE JOHNSON to No. 30 Crosby-street, a notorious panel-house, where he was robbed of $240, by the usual method in such places. LIZZIE was arrested and arraigned before Justice SCOTT, at the Tombs, yesterday, and remanded for trial in default of bail. The complainant was sent to the House of Detention for witnesses. THOS. DEARMS, alias "Irish Tom," the woman's confederate, was not arrested.

The congregation worshiping at the John-street M. E. Church are about losing their pastor, Rev. WM. P. CORBIT, who has received a call from a church in Baltimore; but the appointment must first meet the approval and sanction of the Conference to assemble next month. After the services last night at the John-street Church Mr. CORBIT passed some high encomiums on the late Dr. MCCLINTOCK and Bishop THOMPSON, and one or two other members prominent in the Church, who have died within the past month. Mr. CORBIT will preach his valedictory sermon on Sunday, April 5, when special services will be held at the John-street Church.

LOUIS ELSBERG, M.D., Clinical Professor of Diseases of the Throat in the University Medical College, continued his interesting lecture on "Voice and Speech," before the Liberal Club, last evening, at No. 23 Third-avenue. The lecturer went into his subject with much more minuteness than time permitted when the same lecture was delivered in Cooper Institute, and both lecture and illustrations were received with much satisfaction by the large number of members present. Among the practical points made by the Professor were, that the human voice is capable of being trained to utter either musical or discordant sounds, and that the attempt to eat and talk at the same time is usually embarrassing.

A meeting was held by property-owners on Fourth and Fifth streets, at No. 630 Fifth-street, last evening, Mr. JOS. BECKER presiding, to